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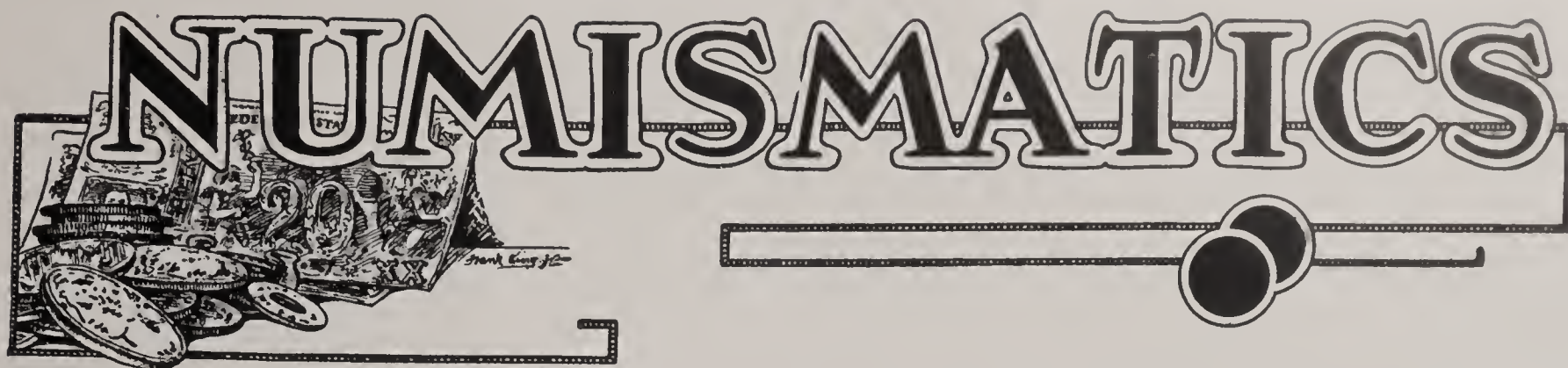
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*The Issue Will Commemorate the California Exposition*

(From a press dispatch)

The California Pacific International Exposition is to be commemorated by the placing for sale in banks here of a new 50-cent coin. It was designed by Robert Aitken, New York, and may be the last commemorative coin to be minted in the United States, as plans are said to be under way to abandon the issuance of future souvenir coins in favor of medallions.

The cost of the coin is \$1, 40 cents going to the exposition and 10 cents to the banks for handling charges.—*Kansas City Star*.

NOW this is more like it. It is the way commemorative coins should be distributed. Everybody, big and small, in cities and rural communities, get their coin at the originally intended price instead of paying heavy tribute to unethical speculators. The organizations rode a free horse to death and the speculators killed the goose that laid the golden eggs by using the government mints for profiteering purposes. With so much complaint from collectors at the expense of the buyers, the government decided to displace commemorative coins with medallions. A year ago the Heart of America Numismatic Association of Kansas City started a movement to remedy the evil and was backed and supported by 99 per cent of the other clubs of the country. However, a few speculators spiked the efforts, and the iniquitous practice grew even more brazen. The government is now in the notion to do just what the clubs tried to prevent their being driven to do, stop commemorative issues even with restrictions as to their distribution. And the very fellows, the unethical speculators, are now crying the loudest; it is a case of locking the door after the horse is stolen. Their foresight was not very farsighted.

Commemorative coins are very popular amongst the collectors, the

rank and file, and it is too bad they have to suffer because of the near-sightedness and itchy palms of a few. It is to be hoped the government will hearken to the many pleas from the real coin collectors and the coin clubs and continue the coinage of commemoratives, but with proper regulations and safeguards as to distribution. It is too bad that the thousands of coin collectors have to suffer because of the greed of a few short-sighted speculative dealers.

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"The superior man will always retain some white coins for black days." The super-superior man will see that the white coins saved for a black day are old and rare ones, as these are the ones that increase in value as the years go by. A coin collection draws good interest in the form of premium value.

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"Do you then be reasonable," said Socrates, "and do not mind whether the teachers of philosophy are good or bad, but think only of Philosophy itself."

Be reasonable and not mind the few "shysters" you may run across in the numismatic game. It is not the few unethical collectors or the few major collectors that make up the hobby, so think of it in broader terms, of numismatistry itself.

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Our foreign debtors seem to think we have a misspell in our coin motto "In God We Trust." They believe it should read "In Gold We Trust."

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An optimist is one that proves, a pessimist one that disproves a legendary fact. As between Mr. Pessimist Debunker, and Miss Optimist Legend, the Miss has it. A "seeker after the truth (?)" now asserts that Paul Revere made his famous horseback ride astride a rowboat, and soon, if we do not show Mr. Debunker his place, we will be asked to believe that Washington swam the Delaware.

If this man Debunker wants to meet his match, let him debate with Miss Legend on the authenticity of the numismatic story of the minter of the Pine Tree Shilling giving as a dot his daughter's weight in the coins. That the face of our first First Lady does not appear on the Martha Washington coins, or that old Ben Franklin did not design the Fugio cent.

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Keep Debunker out of numismatics, otherwise we will be told that Miss Liberty on our coins is a likeness of George the Third's consort; the eagle an English sparrow; the thirteen stars a symbol that the stars never blink out on English territory.

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Look at your statistical book on number of coins minted at the various mints. Under Lincoln head cents you will note that the 7,160,000 coined in 1922 are all from the Denver mint and should bear the letter "D." Yet it is claimed there are a great many cents of this year that do not carry the letter "D." As proof that this is no bed-time story, M. H. Bolender's auction catalog of his November 30th sale, item 926, reads: 1922 Lincoln cent, no mint mark showing.

If all the cents were stamped from the same dies, how can the absent "D" be accounted for? One authority on such matters says the "D" on the die wore down, leaving the coins "D"-less. The importance is not so much how it happened as to when it happened; on that depends the number of the letterless in circulation. If the "D" was rubbed out early in the process, then there are millions of the coins in existence; if it happened late in the game, then the number browsing about is problematical.

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The 1786 Vermont cent shows the sun rising over the mountains. Page Kate Smith and tell her it was Old Sol and not Luna that came over the mountain.



About the time of Christ China used what is called fork money. Coinie asks if this accounts for the oft-used expression "fork over your money."

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Where do all the small change coins go? Most people have an idea they are to be found in the children's banks, but this is only half the facts. The old style wooden floored railway stations are also small change custodians. Recently in Massachusetts wreckers paid \$15 for an old station and when demolished they found \$9 in small change that had been dropped through cracks in the floor.

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The mouths of babes oft speak an elder's wisdom. The little boy that answered the question, "What is memory?" with "Memory is the thing we forget with" spoke more wisdom than he knew. Our most cherished memories are often forgotten memoirs. The ten-year-old boy is proud of the coin collection his dear grandfather gives him. He puts it carefully away and in the stress of childhood play and school it is forgotten. But when at eighteen he starts away to college he remembers the forgotten collection and asks his mother to take good care of it, and again forgets it. At twenty-five when he leaves his old home for his newly founded one, the coin collection is the only article of "housekeeping" he takes with him. In the turmoil of life and the anxieties of raising a family it is again forgotten. When he in turn gives it to his grandson and namesake, the collection takes on a new life and lives again the life of a forgotten memory. In the country there are hundreds of these family collections, collections handed down from generation to generation. Forgotten memoirs, remembered but seldom thought of and never disturbed. If these collections were tabulated a lot of rarities would come to light; a lot of coins, too, of types not now listed. Cherished collections, forgotten memoirs. Yes, "memory is the thing we forget with," and a happy forgetter is one that remembers.

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A headline reads, "Would Strike at Root of Evil." How often we hear that, always striking at the root of evil. We numismatists know that money is considered the root of all evil, but we get tired of having our "roots" continually struck at. Why not pick on someone else for a while and give money, supposedly the root of all evil, a rest. People just will not learn, or do not want to learn, that the Bible says distinctly that the "love of money," not money itself, is the evil root.

"If thou hast attained knowledge, what lackest thou? If thou lackest knowledge, what has thou attained?" If by reading you have become interested in coins, you should not lack for a collection. If you have a collection but have read nothing about coins, you should start reading at once. Coins without knowledge and knowledge without coins do not fit into the curriculum of numismatics.

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A naturalist said, "If all our towns and cities and all buildings were razed and the entire population of the United States wiped off the map, a thousand years from now, if re-habited, the historians of that period could reconstruct a reliable history of our country from the remnants left of our cultivated flora."

If all the world's historical books were destroyed and no more written,

a thousand years from now if printing was resumed, the historians of that day could segregate the legends and historicalize the traditions from the coins of the various countries and reconstruct a reliable history of the world.

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"Who gains wisdom? He who is willing to receive instructions from all sources." If you want to know about coins, exhaust all the possible sources. Read numismatic news whenever you can; scrutinize the dealers' price lists; examine carefully the auction catalogs; consult with old coin collectors; if you cannot find what you want, write some nationally known numismatist; and if all your sources fail on some certain phase, don't give up, keep scouting, perseverance will win out.

## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

### The U. S. Half Cents

AN unusual little coin in its day, the half-cent, passed out in the year 1857. None were struck after that and all through the Civil War. It is difficult to understand why the present demand for half cents is not greater considering that there were approximately twenty large U. S. cents for each half cent turned out between 1793 and 1857. Both large cents and half-cents were commenced the same year and made their exit also in the same year. I give for the first time the total coinage of half cents in all years. The number was very close to 7,970,656 pieces. The coinage of the large cents was about 157,192,174. These seem large figures, but they are dwarfed into nothingness when compared to the coinage of small U. S. cents. Of the latter, 588,935,000, were struck in one year alone, viz. 1919. That was nearly four times the total large cents struck in all years. Excepting the rare half cents struck between 1836 and 1849 (small date) the two years when the smallest number of half cents were struck, were 1802, with 14,366 pieces and 1831, with 2,220 pieces. As in the case of the large cents, the year 1857 saw a very small coinage of half cents, with only 35,180 pieces. When the above figures are considered it is quite wonderful that a coin, at least 78 years old, is still being advertised for twenty-five cents apiece or in cases where we do not think very good pieces are offered, five for a dollar. The price is altogether too low in view of the fact that not one growing boy out of a

hundred has ever seen a half cent, and a good many grownups haven't either. The coins do not seem to have been over popular and must have had a circulation chiefly in cities near the place of issue, as it is seldom large lots of them turn up out west or even in the far north-eastern part of the country. The late E. Gilbert and myself compiled a book on the half cents which is considered the standard work on the subject. This book enables easy classification of the varieties, of which there are as many as eight or ten of single dates. From this it may be seen there are quite a few varieties of half cents to be had if the collector persists in his search. The finest and largest set of half cents offered until recently was in the Alvord Sale of S. H. Chapman on June 9, 1924. Our friend Mehl has secured the fine set of Howard Newcomb and is to offer it for sale, I believe. In that set is the finest proof of 1796 known, which cost Mr. Newcomb over \$700. I sold it back in, I believe, 1916 at public sale. Alvord had assembled about 200 varieties. Two or three in his set sold for \$100 or more. Alvord's half cents were not as fine as Newcombs, in my opinion, although I have not seen the catalog of the Newcomb set. The \$700 half cent was one of two which formerly belonged to the late Henry C. Miller, who had obtained two in London. He found them together and had to buy both of them, and the cost of both was, I think, under \$100. Both were proofs. I sold both of them, but the first one brought only \$300. I say only be-



cause the last record of \$700 was undreamed of at the time the first was offered, back about 1914. Well, \$700 for a half cent which passed in 1796 two for a cent, wasn't so bad a price for a little coin! It is the turning up of a coin like this occasionally which causes such a magnificent pick-up in the coin-book business! It gets the public looking for proof half cents of 1796! Collectors know well how many of these are lying around in old out of the way places, in subway change, in hock-shops et cetera! They are as rare as that prize stamp of British Guiana unearthed awhile ago! I must not neglect to add that Commander Eaton listed several hundreds of varieties of half cents, counting small sub-varieties.

### Short-Sighted!

We learn of a case of penny-wisdom from New York, where one of the oldest collectors and a dealer, was refused a day's credit, if he attended a coin sale where he would have been a good help to it. We are asked to have faith in government bonds. Here is an instance where no faith seems to be had in men! And yet we are told there is "unlimited credit available" today in the U.S.A. Credit for whom and where?

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### THE GUICHAINVILLES Two Eccentric and Curious Numismatists

#### PART I

Back about 1895 came to New York from France a family of three of the strangest sort of numismatists. They were the Baron L. Metayer De Guichainville, his son Raoul and a daughter. Very peculiar and retiring in their habits they led a most unusual existence in a small apartment on West 17th Street, not far from the Hudson river, in the slum quarter of the West Side, New York. The daughter did not do much with coins but the two men, one elderly were omnivorous students and extremely well posted on all kinds of ancient as well as the most intricate issues of mediaeval coins. It was truly wonderful to see the numismatic knowledge these two curious Frenchmen had stored up in their heads, for they possessed a mere handful of numismatic books, which they finally had to sell for a trifle in order to pay the rent of their miserable quarters. Several years before, the elder Guichainville, whose manners and even his appearance, bespoke the gentleman, had a respectable position as librarian for a religious institution in New York. How he came to leave the position I do not know, but when I came to New York in the Spring of 1904 the Guichainvilles were among the earliest callers at my coin shop. The

Baron wanted to know if I had any cataloguing to do. I got used to handing him small unimportant lots of coins of the Greeks and Romans and the obscure mediaeval pieces. These he would take home with him, along with envelopes for them, and return in a couple of days with references and descriptions written out. This old Baron de Guichainville had been formerly in the banking business in Paris. One day a swindler got into the concern and departed with most of the bank's assets. Ruined, the Baron came to America. It is doubtful if the move was a good one, since his last years were spent in poverty and squalor. Undoubtedly both of the men had a mental defect. Formerly they had moved in very good society in France. They brought with them to America an exquisite statue of the mother, the Baroness Guichainville. This statue the writer saw in the poor room on West 17th street when he called.

The statue depicted the Baroness as a very distinguished looking woman. This marble statue, snow white and in perfect state, the poor family prized highly. Then a few years later the daughter died, leaving the two eccentric men. They traveled together. The Baron was blind in one eye, while his son Raoul had very poor vision.

Every three or four days they made the round of the coin shops. David Proskey was well acquainted with them, and I believe, gave them a little work to do at times. The Baron seems to have acquired his title for some service he did the French government once upon a time. Together with their great and unusual knowledge of the three classes of coins mentioned went an unusual stubbornness and combativeness which reacted against their success. They were known to the French Benevolent Society, which I think contributed a small pension each month for their support. Besides this they plodded along streets like Fifth Avenue in their shabby, dirty clothes in search of work or alms, "assistance" they called it.

The writer gave them as much work in classifying coins as he could find for them to do, amounting perhaps to \$5 or \$10 per month. They always had tales of ill-luck: of their landlord hounding them for rent, or of "not feeling well," and of needing more work in numismatic lines. Living in this basement room on West 51st street, where there was running water, but I think no heat in winter except from a little coal stove, their existence grew pitiful in the extreme.

Finally I took up a collection for them. The members of the New York Numismatic Club responded generously with a donation of about \$100. Of

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this sum the late J. H. Chapman gave five dollars to the Baron. To this present the Baron wrote a really sensible and appreciative note of thanks, in which he compared himself to "an old and broken medal with its dies injured." However, the peculiarities of the two seemed to grow with the years and their persons grew untidier than ever. People turned and looked at them as the curious pair, tattered and halting, moved along the street.

They looked not only for coins in coin shops but also for coins on the sidewalks. I presently realized that in walking along the streets the eyes of the Guichainvilles never were raised above a certain low level. They kept busy looking for money and prizes on the sidewalks and in the gutters. A most curious pair! The account of them will be continued in the next issue.

## Dame Fortune Favors but Once in a Lifetime

By REV. G. G. GIRTON

I WAS just a fourteen-year-old Hoosier orphan boy in the fifth grade of a small "deestrick" school, using the old "Indiana Educational Series Fifth Reader." If you are a Hoosier, and remember this book, then you are about my age.

I was working hard to get through common school, and hoping almost against hope to obtain further "larnin" so that I might equip myself for the battle of life, and perchance attain some place in this old world of ours. But alas, my father was dead and there were no rich relatives to aid me, no resources except

my hands and my head (and at the fourteen stage, the latter was rather thick), moreover I was worried by the thought that my widowed mother was slowly becoming a cripple.

In the summer I worked at whatever I could find to do. Planted and tilled our garden, cooked and kept house for my mother, did the washing for the two of us, and in school season I did our laundry at night.

I could say a lot more about my hardships, and finally climax the story with what I consider my ultimate triumph in life, but this is not a success story, it's a hard-luck tale. All this is just to get you to see how easily I could have used \$700 or a

\$1,000 to a great advantage, if by some fairy means I could have obtained that sum.

But oddly enough I had the good fairy Fortune "right in my very own clutch, and did not know it, even to the tune of the above stated amount, but, oh, well.

My father had left me a small collection of obsolete coins at his death, none of them worth over 20 cents a piece. I was very much interested in old coins, but did not know their true value. I had no coin guide book, nor did I even know any such book existed. Neither did it ever occur to me that sometimes current coins were of rare value.

For some odd job that I had done I was given an old Liberty Seated half dollar in payment. In those days there were several of them in circulation. I do not even remember who tendered me the coin, or what the labor was, but I do remember taking the coin from my pocket one morning during school hours, looking it over well, and deciding to take an "impression" of the coin on both sides. Years later after having been well versed in numismatics, imagine my surprise one day while perusing my old fifth reader to run across the impression on a fly leaf. There it was, a clear cut, well outlined impression made with a soft lead pencil, of a good specimen of the Liberty Seated

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I have handled perhaps thousands

of old coins, from that day to this, and only once since have I ever received a rare coin. That was a Panama-Pacific half dollar whose value faded into insignificance compared with that 1853 half dollar.

I still have that Fifth Reader with the impression legible enough for all who care to see it, but each time I look at it it gives me a depression.

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen,  
The saddest are, 'I lose again.'"

## To Clean or Not To Clean?

By PAUL M. LANGE

**T**WENTY years ago many museums seemed to think it a sacrilege to clean an article. Dirt and corrosion were taken for a sure sign of genuineness and to remove this was not to be thought of.

Gradually a new way of doing things came into existence in museums. Museums repair and clean to show how articles looked when in use.

A new type of scientist developed who made a study of cleaning and repairing pieces in such a way that the cleaning restored the original surface; the repairs, made so that they would show what was repaired, but giving the effect of the entire piece.

The last to hold out against the new era seems to be the numismatist, and one of the reasons, and probably the most important one, is the fear of spoiling a rare piece.

I don't blame the collector very much, after the examples of "cleaning" I have seen. It takes considerable knowledge of metals and chemistry to judge what has to be used to clean a piece, a very small difference in the composition of the metal may, and usually will, make a large difference in the treatment needed.

The layman's usual means of cleaning consisting of sand, brick dust, silver polish, etc., are about as appropriate as a hoof rasp for filing your fingernails. The surface of the metal must be left undisturbed by any treatment accorded the coins. If the surface is gone, corroded or pitted, it is impossible to restore the coin.

In a lecture by a noted archaeologist, that I lately attended, he told of cleaning coins, mainly Roman dug up, by using the electric current, and as he proudly proclaimed: "It made the coins clean and readable." Also it made them look like sponge rocks, full of pits and spoiled them for the numismatist.

I cleaned lately chemically 130 Roman coins, which came to me heavily

corroded and hardly looked like coins. The owner gave me permission, saying, "You may as well try it; they are no good as they are, and you can't make them any worse."

After cleaning, 48 proved to be mint condition with a beautiful light brown patina, 51 very fine, 12 fine, and the last nine not worth looking at.

With care and patience startling results may be obtained on ancient coins. A case in point: A friend gave me a large bronze of Hadrian in what appeared to be very poor condition, it was covered with green black warts and outgrowths and certainly not worth a dime as it was. I worked on this coin every evening for a week, using chisels, wooden picks, quills, acid and alkali applied with toothpicks, and it proved a joy to see what appeared from under the corruption of centuries; when finished the coin gleamed in the golden-yellow of the natural bronze (Aurichalcum) used by the Romans.

And the sequel to the story is as interesting. I put the coin in stock and a few weeks later my friend, who by the way, is a stickler for condition, looked over what I had and discovered this piece and insisted on buying it. It was a hard job to make him believe that it was the identical piece that he had given me.

But the treatment accorded ancient coins will ruin U. S. cents. A different treatment has to be employed for cents, and not only that but the cents of 1793-1814 demand a different treatment from those of 1816-1838, and again from 1839-1857. Composition and different methods in striking are responsible for this. It cost me quite an amount of spoiled pieces before I discovered what to do.

The many different ways in which a coin may become covered with unsightly spots, corrosion, etc., by sulphurisation, chlorination, heat, moisture and other ways will not permit a universal prescription.

It must remain a job for the trained person to decide for each individual piece the necessary treatment re-



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### Coins at Auction



M. H. Bolender, of Orangeville, Ill., reports that his 100th auction sale of coins and paper money held recently broke all records for sales held in the United States, from the standpoint of patronage, with bid sheets from 525 different persons and firms. He also says: "We distributed 1800 catalogs to get these results, and of course, have a live mailing list. Some prices were: 1794 half dollar, good \$14; 1800 half-dime, ex. fine \$8; 1793 cents, v. fine \$26; 1879 pattern half-dollar, A-W, 1616, silver proof \$13; Encased postage stamps, H. A. Cook 10c sold at \$17; 5c Dougan at \$15; 3c Dougan at \$12; Ellis McAlpin 12c at \$16; B. F. Miles 5c at \$15.50; Schapker & Bussing 3c at \$12; Weir & Larminie 10c at \$20; 15c Grant & Sherman essay \$9; 50c Justice red-back fractional currency, heavy fibre paper, \$13.50; 50c Spinner Allison & Spinner \$14; 1801 half dollar very fine \$15; 1855 half dollars, "S" mint, very good \$12.50; 1839 Montreal half-penny with side view of bank, fine \$11.25; 1796 quarter, fine \$15; 1799 cent, fair with good date \$12.75; 1922 Grant half dollar with star \$26; 1915 Panama Pacific \$2.50 gold \$11.25; 1885 CC mint dollar \$10; 1874 "S" mint half dollar, unc. \$14; 1864 silver 3c proof \$10; 1877 20c silver proof \$11, 1878 20c piece proof \$10; 1858 dollar \$32.50. It was a large sale of 1850 lots."

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PERHAPS some of you who daily handle the humble little penny or copper cent do not know that the Indian Head on the obverse is not really an Indian head at all, but the head of a little Anglo-Saxon girl, Sarah Longacre, wearing the head-dress of her friend the big Indian chief. Mrs. Sarah Longacre Keen, who lived and died in Philadelphia, came nearer being queen of the American mint than any other woman who ever lived. With the exception of Queen Victoria, whose image was engraved on every coin of the British and Indian Empire, Mrs. Keen was first in the number of her metal photographs. Her face as a girl of 12 is seen on every American cent issued since the year 1836 from the United States mint. It is usually assumed that the face on the obverse is that of an Indian, but a close look will reveal that of a Saxon profile. Just take a look at a cent, the setting is that of an Indian.

Between the year 1828 and 1840 James Barton Longacre was the chief engraver in the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

In the year 1835 a competition was open for sketches and engravings for the new copper cent that was to be issued and which has since been in service. Over a thousand designs were offered. The prize was a good one, so Longacre racked his brain for some original and singular design that would strike the judges, but for months he failed to satisfy himself. One bright morning a number of Indians with their chief, who had been to pay their respects to the great white chief in Washington, came to the city and were shown through the mint. They were introduced to the

white chief's picture maker, who was just then showing his young daughter, Sarah, the workings of the mint. The old chief was attracted by the sweet-faced maiden and her interest in his feathers and paint. She childishly wondered how she would look in the feathered headgear. This was told the chief, who solemnly divested himself of his feathers and had them placed on the girl's head.

The effect was so striking that the father took time to make a sketch of the picture, finishing it afterward for his own amusement. At the last minute of the period given for sending in the engravings he bethought himself of the possibility of the combination of Indian feathers and Saxon sweetness. He got it in, and much sport was made of the child at the time in the city because of the incident.

The sketch passed through the seventh sifting and finally reached the last round. By one vote he won, and ever since Sarah Longacre's young face has served for the humblest of coins, than which no other coin in the world has such tremendous circulation.

Leonard Longacre, of Elkhart, Ind., is a lineal descendant of James Barton Longacre, the face of whose daughter, Mrs. Keen, is to be seen on every American cent coined since the year 1836, until the issue of 1910, which carries the image of Abraham Lincoln. The Longacres are justly proud of the distinction given that extensive and prominent family by this interesting historic event.

The next time you look at an Indian Head cent think about the little Philadelphia girl who posed for the picture and see how sweet she looks in her savage hat of feathers.

Many thanks to L. Longacre who so generously supplied the data.



## The Great Seal Silver Certificate



By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

THE Treasury Department recently announced a new silver certificate of different design, the chief feature of the certificate being the representation of the obverse and reverse of the United States Great Seal on the back of the certificate.

Although approximations of the obverse of the seal have appeared on numerous United States coins, the reverse has appeared only once before on a medal in 1882 in celebration of the centennial of the adoption of the Great Seal.

As for the origin of the Great Seal, steps for its creation were taken on July 4, 1776, when the Continental Congress appointed Dr. Franklin, Adams, and Thomas Jefferson to be a committee to prepare a device for the seal.

And on June 20, 1782, the Congress accepted the following as the device for an armorial achievement and reverse of the Great Seal for the United States in Congress Assembled.

"ARMS. Paleways of thirteen

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## WANTED TO BUY

**\$50.00 PANAMA-PACIFIC** gold pieces wanted. — Mrs. John Daniel Talbott, Bardstown, Ky. ja163

**CIRCULATED LINCOLN**, Indian Eagle and large copper cents wanted. Buying list, 5 cents.—Ambrose, 1364 E. 68th St., Cleveland, Ohio. ap12084

**ALL ISSUES** Commemorative half dollars. Will pay spot cash. No argument if coins are nice. Don't send, write what you have. I will reply to all letters.—Stephens, 1703 Main, Elkhart, Ind. ja146

**TAX TOKENS WANTED**—Send sample, stating quantity and price.—Davison Reese, Box 244, Denver, Colo. ja306

**CASH PAID** for Broken Bank notes, all states, especially Maine and New England States. — Deitrick, 322 Libby Ave., Richmond, Va. n12571

**ANY UNITED STATES** misstruck, off center or freak coins.—W. E. Hamlin, 249 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y. au12822

**HALF DOLLARS**, 1796-1797. State condition and price. — Webbs, San Jose, California. f384

**\$3.00 GOLD PIECE** and \$17.00 cash for \$20.00 gold. Want gold coins for my collection.—Karl Stecher, 312 Armory Place, Louisville, Ky. d12462

**WANTED FOR CASH** — Michigan paper money. — Harold L. Bowen, 818 Lawrence Ave., Detroit, Mich. au12861

**GOLD COINS** and minor rarities wanted. Perfect condition of the latter preferred. Send list for offer.—Hogan, Parrottsville, Tenn. ja12612

**UNCIRCULATED** United States coins wanted by private collector. State price.—Dr. Frank Chase, 416 West 8th St., Los Angeles, Calif. d12042

**COINS WANTED**—Any kind, any condition, any quantity.—Henry Lacks, 1936 Franklin, St. Louis, Mo. au6001

**LINCOLN HEAD PENNIES** with mint marks. Must be uncirculated, red. Also want commemorative half dollars in quantity. State quantity and price. Will also buy a limited number of circulated Lincoln head cents with mint marks before 1925 if in fine condition at \$1.75 per hundred, plus postage.—Grant and Lyon, 109 Empire St., Providence, R. I. my12276

**WANTED**—Society of the Cincinnati, medals, Eagle decorations.—E. Decker, 29 Union Ave., Lynbrook, N. Y. ap12081

**WANTED TO BUY** — Commemorative Half Dollars; Large Cents; 2c and 3c Pieces; Fractional Currency; Broken Bank Bills; C.S.A. Notes, etc. Circulated or uncirculated. Highest prevailing cash prices paid. Can use wholesale job lots.—Tatham Coin Co., Springfield 10, Mass. ja12864

**WANTED** — Old Coins, Confederate Bonds and Notes, Colonial and Continental Currency, Broken Bank Bills, Civil War Tokens.—W. C. Sanders, 608 Dixwell Ave., New Haven, Conn. n3001

**WANTED U. S. Fractional Currency**, also U. S. Gold and Silver Coins.—Eugene F. Westheimer, Cincinnati, Ohio. n12003

**HUDSON COMMEMORATIVE** Halves, \$3.00 each, paid.—Otto Nill, Islip, New York. ja122

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**COIN SPECIALS FOR JANUARY**—1925 Fort Vancouver, \$6.00; 1927 Vermont, \$1.75; 1934 Daniel Boone, \$3.00; 1935 Boone, \$1.50; 1934 Maryland, \$1.50; 1935 Spanish Trail (a very few), \$6.00; all uncirculated; 1920 Pilgrim, very fine, \$1.—F. E. Beach, Cambridge Springs, Pa. ja1012

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**UNITED STATES COINS**. All different dates, 15 Large cents, \$1.00, Good lot; 7 Half Cents, \$1.00; 5 2 cent pieces, 30c; 10 3c Nickels, 75c; 20c Cent piece, 50c; Fractional Currency 3c Note, 35c; 5c Note, 25c; 10c Crawford, 20c; 15c Liberty, 60c; 25c Walker, 35c; 10 Broken Bank Bills, \$1.00; Colonial Bills 1770-80, 25c; 5 Different, \$1.25. Post free.—Stephen K. Nagy, 8 South 18th Street, Philadelphia, Penna. ja1543

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**SMALL UNITED STATES CENTS**. Dime brings you my price list.—G. A. Mac Lennan, Rock Falls, Ill. mh3081

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**WOODEN MONEY** — Ligonier Centennial Committee issued wooden money in Nickel, Dime and Quarter denominations. 40 cents per set, postage paid.—Kimmell, Ligonier, Ind. ja3672

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**KNOW THEIR VALUE?** 33-page illustrated banker's coin book and a coin, 10c; 5 different foreign coins and 5 different bills, 15c; 10 different Confederate and broken bank bills, nice, 75c; 22-page coin catalogue, 5c.—Lemley Curio Store, Northbranch, Kansas. tfo

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pieces, argent and gules; a chief, azure; the escutcheon on the breast of the American eagle displayed proper, holding in his dexter talon an olive branch, and in his sinister a bundle of thirteen arrows, all proper, and in his beak a scroll, inscribed with this motto, 'E pluribus Unum.'

"For the CREST. Over the head of the eagle, which appears above the escutcheon, a glory, or breaking through a cloud, proper, and surrounding thirteen stars, forming a constellation, on an azure field.

"Reverse. A pyramid unfinished. In the zenith, an eye in a triangle,

surrounded with a glory proper. Over the eye these words, "Annuity Coep-tis." On the base of the pyramid the numerical letters MDCCLXXVI. And underneath the following motto, 'No-vus Ordo Seclorum.'

It is very interesting to analyze the currency and the great seals of the states in the Union and of the Pan-American Republics, and note the similarity to many of the items composing the Great Seal of the United States. Likewise, it is possible to find instances where the Great Seal of the United States contains features that might have been adopted from currency or great seals.

## The First Paper Money Issued by the United States

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

THE first paper money issued by the United States under the present form of Government appeared during the Civil War. As a means of making financial provision for carrying on the war against the South, the Federal Congress on July 17, 1861, authorized Secretary Chase to borrow \$250,000,000 and gave him, as an alternative means to secure a minor part of it, permission to issue non-interest bearing treasury notes of a denomination less than fifty dollars, and payable on demand by the subtreasuries at Philadelphia, New York, and Boston. The latter provision earned for them the title of "demand notes." By the Act of August 5, 1861, it was provided that notes of the five dollar denomination could be issued.

Thus, having secured the necessary legislation, Secretary Chase began negotiations with the bankers, and obtained a loan of \$150,000,000. Also, in August, 1861, he issued some demand notes to which the bankers expressed immediate disapproval, and managed to get an indirect promise

from Chase that he would issue no more notes until he had tried other means to secure the money. Despite his assurance to the bankers, in November Secretary Chase issued more of the notes. Since the bankers feared the depletion of their gold reserves by giving the metal for paper money, they, on or about January 1, 1862, suspended specie payments, and the Government felt compelled to do likewise.

With the Treasury empty and the secretary unable to secure other loans under the rates prescribed by the law of July 17, 1861. Chase urged the passage of an emergency bill that would authorize him to issue \$10,000,000 more of the demand notes as part of the \$250,000,000 authorized by the bill of July 17, 1861. The measure was passed and, thus, increased the total issue of the notes to \$60,000,000.

As the financial stresses of the Government increased and the revenue was still insufficient, Congress, by the Act of February 25, 1862, authorized the issue of \$150,000,000 in United States notes—the notes that became so popularly known as greenbacks or legal tenders. By the provisions of the act, \$50,000,000 worth of the greenbacks were to be issued in lieu of the same amount of demand notes which were accordingly withdrawn. Since re-issues of the demand notes had been limited to December 31, 1862, only about \$3,000,000 of the demand notes were outstanding by July 1, 1863. Today, only about \$50,000 remains outstanding.

The denominations, amounts, and descriptions of the demand notes are as follows:

Denomination	Amount	Left	Center	Right
\$5.00	\$21,800,000	America	Numeral 5	Hamilton
\$10.00	\$20,030,000	Lincoln	American Eagle and Shield	Art
\$20.00	\$18,200,000	Numeral 20	Liberty and Capitol	Numeral 20

## The U. S. Mint Cabinet

By H. C. REINERT

THE United States Mint Cabinet is the room or rooms in the Treasury Building, Washington, D. C., where the government keeps types of various foreign and United States coins.

The Cabinet of Coins was established in 1838 by Dr. R. M. Patterson, then director of the mint. Anticipating such a demand, reserves had been made for many years by Adam Eckfeldt, the coiner, of the "master coins" of the mint. Master coins is a term used to signify first pieces from new dies, bearing a high polish and struck with extra care. These are now more commonly called "proof pieces." With this nucleus and a few other valuable pieces from Mr. Eckfeldt, the business of keeping up the Cabinet was committed to the assay department and especially to William E. DuBois, assistant assayer. The collection grew year by year, making exchanges to supply deficiencies, by purchases, by adding our own coin, and by saving foreign coins from the melting pot—a large part in this way, at a cost of not more than their bullion value, though demanding great care, appreciation and study. Valuable donations were also made by travelers, consuls and missionaries.

In 1839 Congress appropriated the sum of \$1,000 for the purchase of "specimens of ores and coins to be preserved at the mint." Annually, since, the sum of \$300 has been appropriated by the government for this object. More has not been asked or desired, for the officers of the mint have not sought to vie with the long established collections of the national cabinets of the old world, or even to equal the extravagance of some private numismatists; but they have admirably succeeded in their purpose to secure such coins as would interest all, from the school boy to the most enthusiastic archæologist. The economic principle upon which the collection has been gathered is a lesson to all governmental departments in frugality, as well as a restraint upon the natural tendency to extravagance which has heretofore distinguished some who have a passion for old coins. There are thousands of coin collectors in the United States, and fortunes have been accumulated in this strange way. More than one authenticated instance has been known in this country where a man has lived in penury, and died from want, yet possessed of affluence in time-defaced coins.







# SWAPPERS' PAGE

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**INDIAN RELICS** wanted in exchange for cut gem stones, cameos, old books, modern books, coins, oil paintings, fossils. Please state what you have and want. — Allen Brown, 5430 Hutchinson St., Chicago. f

**WILL TRADE** foreign stamps, your selection, for all U. S., foreign, postmarks, precancels, cigar bands, etc. Dime brings exchange list. — W. H. Seward, South Bellingham, Wash. f3001

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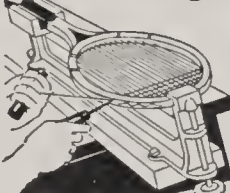
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# NUMISMATICS

## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By

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THE new Turkish coin, the silver 100 kurus, is one foreign coin every American collector should have, as it will become famous and in great demand on account of its historical interest. It is the first Turkish coin with Latin alphabet instead of Arabic characters. It bears the date 1934, using the Gregorian instead of the Mohammedan or Hegira calendar. It bears the profile of President Ataturk, formerly Mustafa Kemal Pasha. In giving the numismatists this historic coin, we say that his new name, Ataturk (at-a-Turk) is well chosen and well deserved.

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Your grandfather laid away some of the postage currency of the Civil War. You know them as shin-plasters, and have considered them of no value. Look them over again and if you find any with red backs, you have found something; something that is worth money. Take another look and good luck to you.

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Most people reading of Cob money take it for granted it refers to corn, but it is not "money on the cob." It is the name given to early Mexican and South American gold and silver pieces. The coins are not "things of beauty" although they may be "joys forever." They were minted with a hammer, and certainly look it with their rough, uneven edges. Flatten several nuggets of bullion with a hammer and you will have coins of as many shapes, none of which can by the wildest stretch of the imagination be called a perfect circle. And odder still, many of the coins omit the 1,000th place in the date, so instead of having a coin dated 726 (before America was discovered), you will have one of 1726. Don't let some slicker sell you one as a genuine aboriginal piece.

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If you have a coin with an indistinct date do not make it worse by trying to make the date more legible, for the indentures made on the coin

from the process will change its status from a "badly worn" to an "altered" date, a change for the worse. Reconstructing a coin is as profitless as monkeying with a buzz saw. As has been said, "you can't put out a fire by throwin' on kerosene."

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W. R. Wilkins, a Virginia collector, offers a good suggestion, at least one worthy of favorable consideration, and that is to segregate "freak" coins into a class of their own. Misstruck coins, commonly called freaks, have been considered merely as novelties, without even a courtesy title of "type." Of course they could not be collected like other coins into sets as to date sequence, but they could occupy a special niche in the collection and labeled freaks, novelties or oddities, the collector striving to secure as many of each denomination as possible. Mis-print postage stamps are highly prized by philatelists and bring high prices, and there is no reason why misstamped coins should not become popular with numismatists. Although the government mints watch the outgoing coins very carefully, it is surprising how many "freaks" elude the eagle eyes of the inspectors. These coins are usually carried as pocket pieces, subject to friction and rough usage, but they should be given better treatment against the day of their becoming sought after.

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The next time a big collector exhibits his coins, ask him to show you his poor pieces and the ones he got "bit" on, the defective ones, the ones he doesn't think much of. He probably has several. In that way you escape the pitfalls that trapped him. As wise old Syrus opined, "It is good to see in the misfortune of others what we should avoid."

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Bye baby copper papa is a shopper; he's going to get an envelope to guard his babe from tarnish dope.

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When showing your distinguished coins to visitors, don't grow loquacious about their being distinguished, but rather why they are so. Interest your visitors, don't awe them. "Deliver your words not by number but by weight."

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You have a lot of "bad" coins in your collection; that is, duplicates a little worn, which probably don't appeal to you. Don't keep them idle, send them out and let them do some missionary work. Even though an old coin has no premium value, it goes against the grain of a real collector to spend it; seems sort of sacrilegious. Even though it is a "bad" coin, remember "there is nothing so bad as not to be good for something." Not wishing to spend it, and it doing you no good, give it to some "Young America" and let it be the nucleus of a big collection.

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In parts of Ethiopia salt is used as money. The Ethiopian employee literally "earns his salt."

Chinese money has holes in it so it can be carried on a string, Chinese clothes being sans pockets. The Chinamen who have become wealthy are the ones who used a "shoe-string" as their first pocketbook.

A single piece of stone money of the Island of Yap weighs about 200 pounds and is called a "fei." One fei will buy one wife. It takes a 200 pound damsel to be worth her weight in fei. The evolution of our American dollar. Joachimsthaler—thaler—daler—dollar.

In remote times there must have been a connection between the aboriginals of America and Africa—they both played the same game, the "shell game." The Africanders called their game "cowry" and the Americans called theirs "wampum."

Youngsters often ask if the "pieces of eight" of pirate fame is stage money or real money. It is real



money. The dollar adopted by our fore-fathers was the Spanish milled dollar, a piece of eight, equal to eight reales.

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"Never cry over spilt milk." If you spoiled one of your choice proof pieces with an over-dose of cleansing preparation, dropped another pet coin down a crack or failed to get "just the coin you needed" at an auction sale, don't cry. Consider it a past misfortune and seek consolation from Dickens. "Reflect upon your present blessings—of which every man has many—not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some." So don't shed tears, for, as Dickens said, "Tears never yet wound up a clock or worked a steam-engine."

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Don't worry about your mistakes and your failures. It is better to have tried and failed than not to have tried at all. As someone said, "The disgrace is not in falling, but in not trying to get up after the fall." You are not the only collector that failed to take proper care of his coins and suffered a loss by friction; not the only one that failed to heed the advice to not clean coins with sandpaper; not the only one that missed a good bargain by procrastination. As little Dorrit philosophized, "Every failure teaches a man something, if he will learn."

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"Money—some people find their gratification in storing it up, and others in parting with it."—Martin Chuzzlewit.

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#### THE DIFFERENCE

A little fellow whose question and his answer for it were packed with more wisdom than one might at first imagine, approached the editor of this paper the other day with this kind of a question:

"What's the difference between the dime novel of a generation ago and the same thing now?"

That was a stunner, and the lad was told to provide the answer himself. And he said:

"One dollar and ninety cents."—*Charley Ficklin in Dekalb County Herald.*

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And the difference between coins of a generation ago and the same denominated coins today may be measured with the same yardstick.

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For what the luck is either way, life sordid or sublime,  
A fellow never seems to git a downhill pull on time.

The years go by at speedy pace, dad-burn the luck, and yet

We bless 'em for the friends they bring, the joys we can't forget.

*Jay Iden in Monett Times.*

Speaking of friends that accompany us through the years, a hobby is about the best friend one can have. Hobby is as constant as the sun in its course. No matter how fast Time flies, Hobby keeps apace with him, "grows old along with us." No matter if "the years go by at speedy space," Hobby does not run ahead or lag behind but is ever at one's side bringing "the joys we can't forget." As a friend, Hobby knows not the word impatience and is unaccompanied with ingratitude. And what is better than a coin collection to hobby with?

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Don't preach what you should practice, practice what you should preach. Do it with deeds, don't say it with words. Don't merely preach that the youngsters should start coin collecting; sow your surplus coins in fertile ground, scatter them amongst some youngsters and encourage them to collect. Don't preach your town needs a coin club, start one. Don't say numismatics needs more publicity, give it more by displaying your coins. Be a doer, not a sayer; let your deeds not your words do the preaching. "To say little and perform much is noble."

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The Aymara Indians of Bolivia use cocoa leaves for both food and money. Up here we "can't eat our cake and have it," while down there they "can't eat their money and have it." Up here "a fool and his money soon parts," while down there "a glutton and his money soon parts."

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As a matter of form Edward Huebener, octogenarian antique collector, received a check for one cent for an old sign he sold Ford for his Inn in Sudbury.

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Just as medals, tokens and slugs had finished being absorbed by numismatics, now along comes the "mysterious stranger," bank checks of famous men rapping for admittance with every prospect of being received. The "stranger" was introduced by numismatists' good friend D. C. Wismer who has a particular yen for paper money.

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Jingle coins, jingle coins, jingle all the day; jingle coins, jingle coins, jingle all the way; but when you get through jingling jingle back to my coin tray.

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Is there a museum in the next world? Sure; heaven has the largest collection of harps in the universe.

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Did George Washington ever disavow his Scotch ancestral bloodship? Actions speak louder than words; he threw a perfectly good spendable dollar away, and so far away it could not be retrieved.

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Does money, being feminine, use rouge? Miss Money, being human, rouges, using delineations and lustre. Do not park your coins "neck-to-neck" as it scrambles the rouge; isolate them in envelopes, one each to an envelope.

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Bill: "Yes, Coinie, Indians are numismatists; they collect old wampum. There was that famous Indian collector, Ha-hah. He was a big, long fellow. He fell in love with and married the pale-face maiden Minnie. When Minnie married this long fellow, Ha-hah, she became—"

Coinie: "Longfellow's Minnehaha."

Bills: "All right, Coinie, all right, all right. And there was the Indian Will-po-kay. His collection of old wampum was stolen and he died of grief. To this day Will-po-kay's ghost haunts bad people, and—"

Coinie: "If we are good Will Pochontas?"

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Kathleen Norris truthfully says: "To build hobbies into our lives is one of the ways of cheating the years." There is no better hobby than coin collecting; it not only cheats the years but furnishes an umbrella for the inevitable rainy day.

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Now comes a well known Numismatist who says he doubts the old story that the early half dime was coined from plate supplied by Washington and that the bust was that of Martha Washington. He should lay aside his statistic book long enough to read the *Legendary History of American Coins*. Debunking legendary lore is as fruitless as butting the head against a stone wall. We will take legend's word for it.

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It is very disheartening to be in need of just one rare coin to fill in your set and unable to locate it at a procurable price, but don't give up, say "I will" and keeping on trying; it will turn up in due time. Determination will do wonders. There is as much truth as there is poetry in the belief of some that one can "think" favorable results from sup-



posedly impossible tasks. After being given up by Doctors patients have "thought" themselves back to good health. After many failures at some attempt people have kept at it and "thought" themselves into successful results. Thomas Edison never said "probably I can do it, but "I will do it." Some call this "something" Christian Science, some Providence and others Luck, but what it really is, is determination. Just determine that you will locate that one coin you need, think that you will get it, not that you might, and it will be forthcoming, not due to kind Providence or a good break of luck, but as a reward of determination.

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In the lexicon of numismatics there is, or should be, no such word as "can't." The collector that says "I can't" do this and that "won't." The enthusiast that builds up a respectable collection is the one that says "I can and I will." It is determination, not haphazard chance that builds the major collections. As some one wisely said "The man can't do it who says the snow is too deep, the wind too fierce, the rock too high."

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Nature's remedy, after all, is the best. As the Bible says, "Be your own physician." People persistently use cosmetics for the skin, but Talmud sagely advises "Cold water, morning and evening, is better than all the cosmetics." The general American complaint is nervousness and doctors prescribe nerve tonics, rest cures, tours, and what not, all to no purpose. The remedy is simple, take a dose of sure cure "Hobby". It is not only cheap, but easy to take. It is a habit forming drug, the more you take the more you want, and the taste once acquired can never be satiated, but fortunately the more you take the greater the beneficent results. One of the favorite brands of hobby beverages is the date flavored; that is, date coins. If you are nervously afflicted throw away your pills and quack remedies and try a dose of Dated Coins.

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"Everything is good when new, but friendship when old." Provided "friendship" takes in coins and most other things hobbywise.

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An inquirer asks about his valuable 1815 large cent. Statistical records show "No large cents minted in 1815." Must be an 1825 or 1835 altered into 1815. Collectors should watch for these altered dates. An expert silver-smith can do wonders with coins, but the alterations can be easily detected under a lens. Every collector should possess a "detector", a

magnifying glass. An experienced numismatist is rarely "taken in" but the beginner is "easy pickings" for things that are "not". Do not take a "not"; if you are offered something "off-color" consult a coin dealer or some old timer.

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A reader asks "What is meant by "Liberty seated"? Liberty seated means just what it says, Liberty sitting down, taking a "breathing spell". And while we are on the subject I would like to ask "Why is Miss Liberty always arrayed in such flimsy, gauzy material?" With the hard road ahead of her and the rough going it would seem more befitting to make her clothes from something more durable. The Liberties of the early days should have been arrayed in buck-skin, the new girl in Khaki. I guess the designers deem artistry more essential than practicability.

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Swat the debunkers. The meanest man is he who tries to debunk children of their Santa Claus. Old Mother Legend is a real personage, as much so as Santa and Mother Goose. It is Mother Legend that makes history readable, understandable and interesting. Legend is to history what seasoning is to meat. Cold statistical history is like unseasoned meat, nourishing in result but unpleasant to the taste. Statistical numismatists are now trying to debunk numismatic legends. Don't do it. Mother Legend is a necessity; without her the history of money will become dry and prosaic. It is the legendary tales that arouse youth's interest in history; it is the legendary tales of coinage that start youths collecting. A child will become greatly interested in a silver nickel that was made from George Washington's plate with Martha Washington's face on it, but will care nothing for a half-dime dated 1792. A real he-boy will go into ecstasies over a piratical piece-of-eight but will care nothing for a mere medium of exchange. Mother Legend is real and her stories are true and her numismatic children agree with Tennyson in his verse about child and mother:

Thrice happy state again to be  
The trustful infant on the knee.  
Who lets his rosy fingers play  
About his mother's neck, and knows  
Nothing beyond his mother's eyes.  
They comfort him by night and day;  
They light his little life away;  
He hath no thought of coming woes;  
He hath no care of life or death.

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"A man without friends is like the left hand without the right." A man without a hobby is like a man minus both the right hand and foot, helpless indeed. Start a coin collection.

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## The Commemorative Coin Racket

JUST now the fur is flying among speculators in trying to corner the market on commemorative half dollars. There is a wide and wild-eyed scramble on for Grant half dollars "with a star." This coin has already sold for thirty dollars, and its skyrocketing does not seem to be over, since so many collectors of commemoratives do not have it. The psychology of these speculators is hard to diagnose; it passes the understanding of a doctor of philosophy. Who is it, I wonder, who authorizes new sets of various sized dates of these coins, new mint-marks, the wide divergent number of pieces struck for various dates, et cetera? Let me join in on the inside, somebody. I want to get some myself. However, jokes aside, I predict this commemorative coin craze will stabilize itself soon, and collectors will come to a better sense of the fitness of things. Making fancy pieces of limited number is going to befuddle collectors and kill the pursuit. It all looks good while the excitement is on, but later on a good many will sell out. For this reason and others, there will always be plenty of commemorative coins offered for sale. Let the hoarders of rarities suddenly find their market gone and their expressions will change. Don't forget, collectors, there are much rarer coins around, with less than a thousand coined, which are still selling at not over five dollars a coin. Yes, after 62 or more years. From this, does it look that a Grant Half Dollar with a star is worth much over \$30? It was struck only thirteen years ago, remember. There were 5,000 struck, while 750 were melted down, probably unsold due to no demand at the time they were issued.

## THE GUICHAINVILLES

### Two Eccentric Experts on Coins

#### Part II

In the last issue I spoke of the Baron L. Metayer De Guichainville, and his son Raoul, who came to New York in the nineties, and eked out a precarious livelihood, plodding the streets, seeking odd jobs. Each day or so they visited Messrs Low, on Fourth Avenue at 22nd Street; David Proskey, on Broadway at Fourteenth Street; and The Elder Shop at 32 East Twenty-Third Street, where occasionally they got odd lots of obscure and difficult ancient and mediaeval and oriental coins to classify. They were experts at deciphering

Visigothic, Vandal and Ostrogothic coins, and also well-posted on Greek and Roman. They could read a number of foreign languages. While peculiar they seemed willing to give honest service to these dealers. I often gave them easy classification work merely to afford them a little income. Clothed in dilapidated garments, each armed with a crude walking-stick, they dragged each other along the side-walk with uncertain step, each having defective eye-sight. Their brains were alert, however. Trudging up stylish Fifth Avenue they always visited the elite art gallery of Messrs. Knoedler & Company, where they were always admitted in spite of their bedraggled appearance. The Knoedler concern gave them about ten dollars each month, as a charitable contribution, and it was very kind of them, as the Guichainvilles could in no way repay their kind act. The French Benevolent society gave them enough to pay their rent, I am informed. They had very few books of reference, most of their numismatic knowledge seemed deposited in their heads. One day they both came to my office. The old Baron leaned over the counter, with a foxy expression in his eyes as though concealing something. He wanted me to loan him some of my books on coins. I reluctantly did so. It was the last time I saw those books. Each time as he called thereafter he tried to explain that he had lost the books. Finally, I squeezed out the information that due to his financial straits he had in desperation gone to a hock shop and pawned my books and that I could never get them again. He never would tell me where the shop was. I reproved, but did not dismiss them. I know their eccentricities and expected something like that. I still continued to give them work. They continued to decipher difficult inscriptions on mediaeval coins for the various dealers, giving names, descriptions and dates with startling accuracy, thus saving coin dealers a great deal of research.

These curious French numismatists used excellent "gentleman-French" and had fine-sounding voices. But tragedy was approaching fast. One day I got a telegram from the Bellevue Hospital telling me that the Old Baron, on his way, I believe, to my office, had been hit by a trolley car and badly hurt. His son Raoul came to me to give the particulars. It appeared they were crossing the street, and had not seen the car in

time to avoid it. The poor old Baron went down and was carried off to the hospital. I soon got another telegram telling me the Baron was dying and to come quick to see him alive. This was about 1910 or 1912. I immediately made an effort to secure some damages from the street car company, for Raoul on account of his father's death. I was not very successful, but employed Attorney Christian G. Moritz, one of the prominent collectors of foreign copper coins, to assist me. He made the best arrangement he could with the car company, informing me he could do little on account of the poor vision of the older Guichainville. Three hundred dollars was all I could secure for the son Raoul. So, doing all I could to assist them, the poor old Baron went to the potters' field in New York, while his son Raoul, the sole surviving member of his family, continued to plod in his eccentric way along the streets of New York, seeking "work" and "assistance," as he termed it. While showing great pride in some respects he was not above accepting whatever contributions that came his way. And he still continued to keep his eyes on a line with the sidewalks, looking for his fortune along the curbstones. Prominent numismatists expressed surprise at his ability to interpret knotting numismatic descriptions on Visigothic and other obscure issues. He was a fine specialist on deciphering the coins of the crusaders. The coins of the crusades furnish no simple problems for the cataloguers, as I myself have discovered. Thomsen gives only a limited number of them, although DeSaulcy went deeply into the subject. Raoul seemed to have the whole book in his head. It was truly wonderful his knowledge of the most puzzling of coins of the Middle Ages. In the next issue I will write the final chapter to the Guichainvilles, and will tell you what became of Raoul and perhaps if I am lucky, will tell you whether he is still living or not.

### Bidding at Auction Sales

The writer's experiences in writing mail bids for coin sales into his bid book since the year 1903 are varied and enlightening. The sale cataloguers who have a regular auctioneer and public open bidding know that most of the big coins are sold in the room to either local bidders or else to their agent. Very seldom is a coin worth several hundred dollars sold to

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a mail bidder, although this is not always so. The cataloguers holding mail sales without an auction room or auctioneer are of course obliged to have all their bids come by mail; that is the way their lots are taken up. We find this also, the earlier bidders are more trifling, while the ones who send in bids just before the sale usually sends bids which cancel the others already in. So that it can be readily seen the cataloguers lose much valuable time recording useless and trifling bids. The psychology of the poorest bidding is something like the following. There is a large clientele or following of small bidders who are all trying to get something very cheap and at the same time trying to keep their names on all the mailing lists for catalogues. They go the rounds of the various dealers' sales, contributing low bids for all of them, hoping to find somebody "sleeping at the switch," the room "gone dopey," when they may come in for a few cheap lots, for while the biggest coin records have been made at auction, every coin sale presents some great bargains to bidders. It was the late Henry Chapman who said "It is impossible to keep the bids or sale records uniformly high throughout." Speaking of low bids any cataloguer considers a bid low when that bid's total wouldn't pay for the description of the lot. This happens also, and no difference what the cataloguer prints, there are some who are trying to get lots "for nothing." We have one bidder who when he does land a bid gets it almost for nothing. As for the faithful and consistent, we have a few bidders on our list who have been bidding since our first sale in 1903. Among these A. W. Reeves of Chicago, Robert King of Erie, Pa., and Mr. Bodendoerfer of Muskegon, Michigan. These are veterans indeed. They should wear medals.

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An unusual silver medal issued in 1792 during the administration of President George Washington for presentation to Indian chiefs sold for \$410 in one of the sales conducted by Thomas L. Elder last year.

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As "Bill" presumably is a Hoosier like myself, I feel sure his statement was a mere oversight in leaving out the flying eagle cents of 1856, 1857 and 1858, but many of them were minted and should not be overlooked.

Clarence K. Smith.

### Agreement

#### Illinois:

I look forward with much interest to each month's copy. I agree with T. L. Elder that coin collectors should refuse to purchase "cornered" commemorative coins, at the prices they are being held at, and at which the average collector is unable to purchase. Some of my friends have been reading my back numbers of your magazine, and have become interested in different hobbies.

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## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By

FRANK C. ROSS

A CASHIER in a restaurant having read so much about "fortunes in rare coins" scanned the intake for a year before she "found hers." She gave a customer \$4.85 in change from the oldest and oddest five dollar bill she had ever seen. She hurried to a coin dealer to "cash in" on her luck. He offered her one cent for her badly worn Confederate bill.

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Tahiti has no coins, its money being nails and cocoanuts. Tourists exchange red neckties and bright glass beads for native mats and flowers. The first syllable Tah means "thanks". It is a question after a trade whether the tourist or the native should say "I tah you for the trade," but as the Tahitians are shrewd traders it is very likely they "tah" the tourists.

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The Blacksmith Tokens are of copper and brass and issued in Canada about 1820. It is said they were made in Montreal, by a blacksmith, hence the name.

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The *Minneapolis Star* knows its hobbies. It says: "Unhappy the man who has found no hobby to ride, for his life is filled with gaping, vacuous spaces to be filled only with the worries and frettings which hasten old age. Even the man who has made loafing into an art is better off than he who has never known how to turn an idle hour into a personal asset."

If you have no hobby, get one. If in doubt which hobby to choose, try out coin collecting; it is interesting, educational, enjoyable and profitable.

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To those who imagine the word "dollar" was born at the opening of the U. S. mint I would refer them to the following from Shakespeare's *Tempest*—Act II, Scene 1.

Gonzalo: "When every grief is entertained, that's offered, comes to the entertainer—"

Sebastian: "A dollar."

Gonzalo: "Dolour comes to him, indeed; you have spoken truer than you purposed."

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The question came in "How can a coin club be made practically 100% attendance perfect?"

"A little man can do a big thing but it takes a big man to do a little thing." A small coin club can be run on a big scale but a big club cannot be run successfully on a small scale. A club is measured by its attendance record. A well run club is reflected in large attendance. A successful club, one that is up and doing, making new trails, daring and unafraid, does wonders for numismatics; but an unsuccessful club, one that is lackadaisical, following horse and buggy precedents, timid and afraid, treading the path of least resistance, does not set the world afire with its accomplishments.

It is up to the officers or their committees to plan programs, to initiate new features, to pep up the meetings, to keep the members "on their toes". If a person is numismatically minded enough to join a club and attend a meeting he is interested enough to keep attending if the meetings are not too boresome. Do not let the meetings become boresome, long drawn out affairs.

As I see it the answer to the gentleman's question is: if the officers will take their jobs seriously the members will take the club seriously and a 100% attendance will necessarily and naturally follow.

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Once when a sculptor submitted designs for some new coins to the late King George V of England, the king said:

"Make a big V behind my name. I should hate to be taken for any of the other Georges."

He must have had George the third in mind as he was ruler who was knocked out in the eighth round by our own George the first.

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The Mid-west has a numismatic boom. Another coin club, Valley Coin Club, Waterloo, Iowa, has been formed. The state of Iowa is coin-

minded and there is every reason to expect the newly formed club to travel a long way.

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C. W. Moellering of Lafayette, Ind., writes:—"Enclosed you will find a tracing of an Indian medal which I found while digging in my yard last summer. Regarding the medal, it is bronze, I believe, but seemingly of a different type than the bronze of today, possibly a brass or a confusion of brass and copper. It was found about twelve inches underground. At first sight it looked like an old slug of iron but upon closer inspection I noticed an impression so I cleaned it carefully. It cleaned up wonderfully well and is in excellent condition in spite of having been buried for years. Knowing this local territory is prominent in Indian history and that there have been many interesting "finds" made, I made numerous inquiries among historians and officials of the Tippecanoe County Museum as to whether any similar medal had ever been found, but as far as I can find nothing of its kind has ever been found in this Tippecanoe battle field territory."

Mr. Moellering has indeed made a very interesting and rare find. Its history is furnished by a widely known numismatist and authority on such things. "The British claimed the territory extending Westward to the Pacific, which includes the present Indiana, from the time of John Cabot's voyage, though France had set up a strong rival claim to the valley of Mississippi, a part of which she had made good by exploration and occupation. The Ohio valley was the most important area in dispute at the opening of the seven year war in 1756. When the medal of 1757 was struck off the British under George II were fighting a great war to drive the French from the region East of the Mississippi."

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The Heart of American Numismatic Association of Kansas City, Mo., passed the following resolution at a



recent meeting:

"Resolved that as the Heart of America Numismatic Association of Kansas City in its entire membership is unalterably opposed to mint marked issues of Commemorative Coins, we, the members, pledge ourselves not to buy any more of them unless said commemorative coins are all from one mint only and of a distinct design."

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Illinois has a congressman who is an expert at repairing violins, and devotes much time to his hobby. Maybe what this country needs is more congressman with hobbies. — *Newton Kansan.*

If we had a few numismatic congressmen we would not be worried with the commemorative coin racket. They would see to it that we got our commemoratives when issued and got them right. We should have more hobby-ists and fewer lobby-ists in congress.

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Irvin Cobb said: "We don't want what we have. We're too busy craving what we haven't." Human nature is like that. Numismatists should wean themselves of this trait. If you have but a small collection, appreciate and enjoy it; don't neglect it just because you yearn for a bigger one. Don't snub your small collection from enviousness of another's larger one. It is comforting to know that enviousness amongst coin collectors is a very rare exception.

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Ching Chow must have had coin collectors in mind when he remarked: "Unskilled fools quarrel with their tools." An unskilled job of coin cleaning is certainly a foolish piece of workmanship, and for the workman to quarrel with the cleansing compound instead of his own amateurish skill is still more foolish.

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Good news from the Capital City. The Washington Numismatic Society, already one of the country's most famous coin clubs, not satisfied with its present large membership, is going to put on a vigorous campaign for even more members. Situated as it is in the nation's capital it has every advantage. With so many Senators and Representatives, there will be good program material from which to choose. Good luck and best wishes to the W. N. S., may it grow bigger and prosper.

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I wish to iterate and then re-iterate "Get out that old stocking collection." Why chance "pot" luck at the rainbow's end when you have a better chance with an old sock?

An Illinois reader writes: "Noticed

the D-less 1922 cent article in January HOBBIES. Had never thought of them before. Found two in my cent collection." And this is only one of many similar letters.

From a Canada reader. "I note you say the red-backed shin plaster is valuable. I have one. My father brought them from the States many years ago to England. He gave them to me over sixty years ago. I never thought them of any value except as keepsakes. Have them with my American stamps."

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In March the Big Three coin clubs, Minneapolis, Omaha, Kansas City—are celebrating their second anniversaries. All three of these Mid-west clubs have grown wonderfully the past year. However, the name Big Three may have to changed to the Big Dozen on account of the growth of new clubs in the Mid-west.

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A North Carolina grocer specialized on nickels. In a year's time he had collected 1,628 of them, but probably not finding any "E Pluribus Unums" among them turned the entire collection over to the tax collector for \$81.40 tax receipt. It is to be hoped he told the tax collector of the lack of rarities and saved that gentleman the trouble of pawing them over.

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Clipped from an Exchange. "Unwittingly a 'Scotch' guest at the Saratoga Inn here recently gave a tip which grew to \$25 today. After a two weeks' stay a San Francisco business man handed Louis Henning, porter, at the hotel, a tip. It was 15 cents, a nickel and a dime. Henning noticed that the dime was unusual and took it to a local bank. Coined in 1804 it was discovered to be worth \$25. When the check arrived today Henning said he would like to thank the 'Scotch' hotel patron for the largest tip he has ever received."



### Two-faced Money



This story has been going the rounds. It is said that a San Francisco lunch stand proprietor counted his money—\$19 short. He counted it again—O.K. He repeated the process and called Police Captain Thomas B. Foster.

"You count it," he said. "I'm going crazy."

Foster counted the money—O.K. He counted it again—\$19 short. Then he found a bill, \$20 on one side, \$1 on the other.

## MONEY TALKS



THE last war cost the United States \$51,000,000,000 counting interest to date, according to Andrew W. Mellon, former Secretary of the Treasury.

If you had started throwing away dollars the day Christ was born, and had kept it up ever since at the rate of a dollar a minute, without pausing either to eat or to sleep, you would only now be starting on your second billion, with 95,000 years more to go. —*William Philip Sims, in New York Telegram.*



MRS. NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS of Wyoming, first woman to govern a state and first woman to direct the mint, also is first woman to have a likeness of her head on a medal struck by the United States mint. One side of the medal shows a head profile of Mrs. Ross with the words, "Director of the Mint of the United States, and the other a seated figure of Mrs. Ross with scales, a pile of bullion and a coining press.

Mrs. Ross recently gave the amazing figures for domestic coinage since 1929 when the depression struck: 1929—385,582,950 coins; 1930—266,056,000; then a terrific drop, 1931—35,196,750; 1932—31,375,550; 1933—23,109,250; then a sudden and spectacular jump of more than 900 per cent, to 358,269,353 in 1934, and approximately 400,000,000 up to November 16, 1935.



FROM Berkeley, Calif., V. Bruecker sends information as of the first of the year showing that during 1935, the San Francisco Mint coined a greater output than any since 1920. The total value was \$7,928,300 in silver, nickel and bronze coins and included half dollars for the San Diego Exposition, the Arkansas, Daniel Boone and Texas Centennials.

A breakdown of the sum showed that the mint coined \$1,964,000 in dollars; \$1,917,000 in halves; \$1,415,000 in quarters; \$1,584,000 in dimes; \$515,000 in nickels and \$387,000 in pennies. Banks reported an increased demand for dollars, halves and quarters. As a result, production in these denominations will be stepped up.



Sheriff J. C. Harris of Elko County, Nev., has a collection of tools and weapons which have been taken from criminals.



Mint Drop.—A gold coin issued about 1834.



THE Bureau of Insular Affairs, Washington, D. C., announced recently that a commemorative coin bearing a likeness of High Commissioner Murphy of the Philippine Islands was to be issued by the island government some time in February. The picture of Murphy, former Mayor of Detroit, it was announced, would appear on one side of the 50-centavo pieces, a coin equivalent to the United States 25-cent piece. Plans have been made for the issue to comprise 10,000 coins.

Conley Webster of Lexington, Ky., exhibited his collection of coins and paper money during a recent month at the University of Kentucky Library. The collection elicited much comment not only among students but also in local papers. Lexington newspapers printed stories prepared by Mr. Webster about the collection.

Norman Schultz of Salt Lake City, Utah, listed paper money, rare coins, medals, stamps and books in a recent auction.

Not to be outdone by the story in the January issue about the glass collector who had 200 sets of salt and pepper shakers, Val Kalt, a Texas reader, says that one of his fellow townsmen, Maurice D. Scharlack has 25,000 1922 Lincoln cents.

Burton Holmes, well known world traveler, owns a medal—the star of Ethiopia—which was presented to him by his highness, Selassie, in recognition of his work in filming and recording Selassie's coronation.

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Treasury Department Report

Office of the Director of the Mint

Coinage Executed at the Mints of the United States During the Month of December, 1935

Denomination	Pieces	Value
SILVER		
Dollars		
Half Dollars	2,351,000	\$1,175,500.00
Quarter Dollars	11,422,000	2,855,500.00
Dimes	20,060,000	2,006,000.00
Total Silver	33,833,000	6,037,000.00
MINOR		
Five Cent Nickel	18,542,000	927,100.00
One Cent Bronze	36,198,000	361,980.00
Total Minor	54,740,000	1,289,080.00
Total Domestic		
Coinage	88,573,000	7,326,080.00
Coinage Executed for Foreign Governments		
	Pieces	
Cuba—Silver, 900 fine, 1 Peso	450,000	
Costa Rica—Nickel, 50 Centimo	700,000	
Nicaragua—Bronze, 1 Centavo	500,000	
Total		1,650,000

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"Obsolete Paper Money of New Jersey"

"New York Obsolete Paper Money"

"Ohio Obsolete Paper Money"

"Descriptive List of Pennsylvania Obsolete Bank Notes."

### *Forum*

#### *Cents*

Dear Editor:

I was glad to hear through the Forum from a fellow Hoosier. Now, Mr. Smith, I believe that if you will refer to my statement in the January number of HOBBIES you will find that I specifically state Indian Head cents. This, of course, does not include the Flying Eagle cents.

Come Again!

Bill, the Coin Man

Station WTRC, Elkhart, Ind.

### *Not the Same*

Indiana:

The word money is from the Temple of Juno Moneta, in which money was coined by the Romans.

Money talks? Yes, in more unseen ways than visible ones. As it has been the instrument of bringing untold sorrow and ruin upon peoples and governments, it likewise has been the means of creating wealth and happiness.

Money through generations past has constantly been tampered with by governments to produce the greatest yield of wealth, like unto a farmer or manufacturer exercising the spirit of body and intellect of mind to produce a maximum yield at minimum cost and effort.

The principle that "bad" money drives out "good" money was first noticed in the 13th century, when dishonest dealers chipped off particles from gold and silver coins, which were circulated until they were so thin that they were easily broken.

From the time of the introduction of our Mint to mint coins until the present time, the basic value of content and weight has been reduced materially. Compare the cent of today with our former large cent, then our copper-nickel cent. Compare the quality of our half-dime (5c silver), then our five-cent nickel, to that of our buffalo (looks like lead) nickel. Compare the size and quality of content of our former dimes, quarters, halves and dollars to those in use today. For appearance and wear, one look is enough to convince the most skeptical that our "old" money has real "stuff" in it. Look where the size of our paper money has dwindled to. Gold currency today, like the ore itself has completely vanished and is no longer legal tender. The gold money the government has sequestered and hidden, just as well be so much concrete or brick or dumped in Davy Jones' Locker as it is worthless lying idle. If we had a gold dollar today, based on current price levels, its size would be slightly larger than our former 50c gold piece.

Are we trying to imitate India in our coinage system? In that event we won't need ladies large envelope purses and modern pocketbooks; the men won't have occasion to have pockets in their pants for carrying "change," but instead we'll need hip bottles or canteens or medicine bottles to carry our change in, so as to prevent escape through a seam or crack. If you have no coins from India and want to get smart as to the direction our coinage system is headed for, just order from your dealer which are enveloped thus: "The world's smallest copper coin" and "the world's smallest gold coin." Notice the size. Don't try to read them because they are written in code—just so many dots and dashes and you will need the aid of a high-powered lens to scrutinize the coin.

Are the people of these United States of America, the wealthiest nation of the world, going to continue with the debasement of our currencies which our noble forefathers had set such a fine precept and example of standard size and fineness of content value?

I have a spoon issued to me upon

my induction into the military service in 1918 which bears the initials Q.M.C., meaning quartermaster corps. This spoon is the same as all others issued to the boys in Service and it is made of genuine nickel, the same material that is in our Liberty-Head nickel. Since leaving the Service I have used this, my favorite spoon, continuously three times a day when at home and yet it shows no symptoms of wear in eighteen years of use. Good money like all other material things is best in the long run always.

I ask anyone to compare the signs of wear on a 1919 half-dollar or quarter or dime to any one issued in the '90s which are in circulation as yet, and compare a Buffalo nickel to any shield type or Liberty-Head type for wearing quality to see which type has the "stuff" in it.

—Will Reinhardt.

### *The Origin of the First U. S. Coin*

Franklin, ever thoughtful, hating everything "Baronial,"

Disliked the English-looking coin, whose origin was "Colonial;"

And in his thinking moments, while the old Hartford town,

Designed a native copper cent, with emblems all his own.

With blazing Sun and Dial, and with legend "Fugio,"

This coin appeared—a "star in the East"—very apropos;

It hinted to the people all in language not unkind,

If prosperity was wanted, their business they must mind.\*

On observe side the Sun appeared, apparently from Heaven,

And just below a Dial and the date 1787;

On reverse side an endless chain of 13 links was seen—

The big plain letters, "We Are One," were nicely placed between.

To keep this sentiment alive tho' all the future years,

The nation's name around it unmistakably appears§

From all the various incidents we find the evidence

That Franklin to his country gave the first of copper cents;

Now, all true-hearted citizens, in praise of Franklin join,

Remembering with gratitude the origin of our coin.

\*A prominent motto on the "Franklin cent" is "Mind your own business."

§The words "United States" surround the motto "We Are One."

Our Home

From an old scrapbook.



## MEDALS

*What States and Cities Lead as Birthplaces of Recipients of Congressional Medals Awarded Prior to 1899?*

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

THE purpose of this account is to show what states and cities have the honor of being the birthplaces of the greatest number of recipients of Congressional medals awarded prior to 1899.

The data, with the exception of that concerning Count de Fluery and Frederick Rose who were residents of foreign countries, and J. S. Crandell on whom information seems lacking, are as follows:

### State and Countries

#### Virginia

1. George Washington, Pope's Creek.
2. W. A. Washington, Stafford Co.
3. Major Henry Lee, Stratford.
4. Maj. Gen. Scott, Petersburg.
5. Maj. Gen. Scott, Petersburg.
6. Maj. Gen. Gaines, Culpepper Co.
7. Maj. Gen. W. H. Harrison, Berkeley.
8. Maj. Gen. Z. Taylor, Orange C. H.
9. Maj. Gen. Z. Taylor, Orange C. H.
10. Maj. Gen. Z. Taylor, Orange C. H.
11. Capt. Henley, James City.
12. Capt. Warrington, Williamsburg.

#### Pennsylvania

1. Maj. Gen. Anthony Wayne, Waynesborough.
2. Maj. Gen. Brown, Bucks Co.
3. Capt. Burrows, Kenderton.
4. Lt. Cassin, Philadelphia.
5. Capt. Biddle, Philadelphia.
6. Capt. Stewart, Philadelphia.
7. Dr. E. K. Kane, Philadelphia.

#### New York

1. Capt. Truxton, Jamaica, L. I.
2. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Staten Is.
3. David Williams, Tarrytown.
4. Wart, New York City?
5. J. Paulding, New York City.
6. De Long, New York City.

#### Maryland

1. Lt. Col. Howard, Baltimore Co.
1. Including awards by the Continental Congress.
2. Gov. Isaac Shelby, Hagerstown.
3. Capt. Decatur, Sinnepuxent.
4. Capt. Elliott, (?)

#### Massachusetts

1. C. W. Field, Stockbridge.
2. Joseph Francis, Boston.
3. Geo. Peabody, Denver.

#### New Jersey

1. Maj. Gen. Morgan, Huntingdon Co.
2. Capt. Bainbridge, Princeton.
3. Capt. Lawrence, Burlington.

#### Rhode Island

1. Maj. Gen. Greene, Potowhommet.
2. Capt. Perry, South Kingston.
3. J. F. Slater, Slatersville.

#### Connecticut

1. Capt. Hull, Derby.
2. Maj. Gen. Porter, Salisbury.

#### Delaware

1. Capt. Jacob Jones, Smyrna, Kent Co.
2. Capt. MacDonough, Newcastle Co.

#### England

1. Maj. Gen. Gates.
2. John Horn, Jr.

#### Maine

1. Capt. Preble, Portland.
2. G. F. Robinson, Hartford.

#### New Hampshire

1. Brig. Gen. Miller, Petersborough.
2. Brig. Gen. Ripley, Hanover.

#### South Carolina

1. Lt. McCall, Charleston.
2. Capt. Ingraham, Charleston.

#### Ohio

1. Maj. Gen. Grant, Point Pleasant.

#### Michigan

1. Maj. Gen. Macomb, Detroit.

#### North Carolina

1. Maj. Gen. Jackson, Waxhaw Settlement.

#### Kentucky

1. Col. G. Croghan, Louisville.

#### Vermont

1. Adm. Geo. Dewey, Montpelier.

#### Ireland

1. Capt. Blakely.

#### Scotland

1. John Paul Jones

### LEADING CITIES

#### Philadelphia

1. Lt. Cassin.
2. Capt. Biddle.
3. Capt. Stewart.
4. Dr. E. K. Kane.

#### Orange C. H., Va.

1. Maj. Gen. Z. Taylor.
2. Maj. Gen. Z. Taylor.
3. Maj. Gen. Z. Taylor.

#### New York City

1. J. Paulding.
2. De Long.
3. Wart.

#### Petersburg, Va.

1. Maj. Gen. Scott.
2. Maj. Gen. Scott.

#### Charleston, S. C.

1. Lt. McCall.
2. Capt. Ingraham.

An analysis of the data reveals the following facts:

1. Virginia is the leading state in regard to the birthplace of the recipients. It claims twelve. Pennsylvania ranks second with seven.
2. Philadelphia leads in so far as cities are concerned. It claims four.
3. The medals have been usually awarded for military and naval achievements.

The analysis raises the following questions in regard to the medals awarded since 1898:

1. Have Virginia and Philadelphia maintained their lead?
2. Have military and naval achievements been the chief reason for the later grants; or has the trend shifted? Recent trends in aviation give us a hint of the probable answer.
3. Should not achievements in education, medicine, and other public and humanitarian services receive more attention?

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## Notes on the Common Coinage of England 1910-1935



By WILLIAM GUMMER  
*London Correspondent*

MUCH has been written about various aspects of the reign of the late King George V; much will be written about those historic years for some time to come. But there are other things besides our writings in every day use, almost, one might say, little things. The writer refers to the common coins, bearing the portrait of the late King.

When his father, King Edward VII, died in May, 1910, sufficient stocks of coins had been minted to cover the probable requirements for the remaining months of that year, so it was not until 1911 that George V coins appeared for the first time. The bronze coins were, in design, the same as those bearing Edward's head, but there were notable changes in some of the silver coins. While the half-crown and shilling remained the same, the florin, or two-shilling piece, and sixpence, were strikingly altered. The figure of Britannia, standing, and occupying the whole centre of the reverse on the former, was entirely removed, and a modified form of the heraldic device seen on Queen Victoria's florins appeared. This consisted of shields bearing the arms of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales. The national flowers (the rose, representing England and Wales, the Scottish thistle, and the Irish shamrock) were not included. While Britannia was now shown solely on the bronze coins, seated, another national figure, the British lion, appeared still more times, for there were no fewer than seven lions on the new florin alone, and the new George V sixpence was re-designed to include the lion, where on Edward's sixpence only the crown had been.

These types of coins are known as the First Issue of the reign. The Second Issue appeared in 1928. In 1927 a new type of shilling was put in circulation—a trial issue of a new design. Thus, during 1927, actually two kinds of shilling were current. Apparently this design met with success, for in the following year new types of all values, except the bronze farthing, were issued, and were minted successively until the end of the reign. The bronze penny and halfpenny bore a smaller image of the King's head, set inside a neater, more delicate margin. However, there were more noticeable points in the designs of the silver coins. The shields on the half-crown and florin became more elaborate under the designs of Kruger Gray, and on the shilling a more ob-

trusive lion was given a larger crown to stand on! But it fell to the lot of the humble sixpence to present the most conspicuous innovation of all. This took the form of omitting the lion and crown entirely, and substituting three intertwined sprigs of the Royal tree—the oak—complete with acorns!

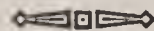
Mention must be made of the privately-minted coins issued during George V's reign. It is the custom during times of pressure at the Royal Mint, to commission private companies to aid in production of bronze coins. All such coins bear the initial, or initials, of the mint in the date panel at the foot of the reverse side. The well-known firm of Heaton, of Birmingham, are the chief producers outside the Royal Mint. Their pennies, bearing the letter 'H' in the left-hand corner of the date panel, were issued in King George's reign in 1912, 1918 and 1919, and are a trifle scarcer than the ordinary pennies of the same date. In 1918 and 1919, how-

ever, three mints were engaged in production; for, in addition to the Royal Mint and Heaton's mint, a further mint was active at King's Norton. The 'KN' pennies are extremely rare (which he kept) among the many thousands of pennies which he has handled during that time.

And now that reign has ended, and soon another coinage will be making its début. It may be, as the reign has begun so early in the year, that the new coins, with the portrait of King Edward VIII, will appear before 1937. This would mean that for the first time in over a hundred years the coins of one date would have borne the head of more than one Sovereign. But during 1901 no coins of Edward VII appeared, although Queen Victoria, too, died in January.

It is an old custom that with each new reign the Sovereign's head should face the opposite direction to his predecessor. This would mean that the new King, Edward VIII, should face right. But, as he has already created precedents as King, it will be interesting to see whether he creates one more, in connection with his coinage, and faces left. For all new designs have to obtain the Sovereign's approval before being put into execution.

## The "Tinpest"



By PAUL M. LANGE

HOW many numismatists, and mainly those who collect communion tokens and medals, which are mostly made of pewter, tin or lead have been annoyed to find their treasures covered with an unsightly gray deposit? This is the "Tinpest," a disease of the metal as truly destructive and infectious as cholera.

If this is not taken care of these pieces will eventually fall entirely into dust, and the dust will spread the disease further. It can be carried by the fingers of the collector or other pieces being laid in the place where an infected piece has lain.

This may seem curious to the layman, but I have proved to my satisfaction the truth of it. I took a clean piece of tin and after handling an affected token, held this piece in my hand for a few minutes, then placed it in a sterile glass container, covered with an airtight cover. I inspected the specimen every 24 hours under the microscope, and on the 14th day I found undoubted traces of deterioration. In four weeks it was plainly visible to the bare eye.

About a year ago a friend of mine purchased a collection of communion tokens, containing about 1000 specimens, from an estate. This collection

had been kept in a cellar for several years, in its original cabinet. When we inspected it, the two top drawers were a mass of gray dust, every following drawer (12) showed more or less of it. I am sorry now that I did not photograph some of it, since infection showed clearly on some pieces. One piece was infected entirely and the surrounding pieces on the sides towards the infected piece showed plainly how it spread. In all instances the most affected pieces were pewter. Experiments have shown that the best way to treat these pieces is to immerse them in a five per cent solution of Hydrochloric (Muriatic) acid until the deposit is entirely removed, then rinse in warm water and dry with a soft cloth. The pieces may be protected further with a thin dull lacquer, but this should only be done if you are positive that no trace of infection remains.

To avoid any recurrence the collection should be kept in a room not under 65 degree Fahrenheit and dry. The collection mentioned has shown no indication of re-infection.

Pewter utensils in museum store-rooms as well as cabinets have shown this same disease. Under certain circumstances copper is also liable to this disease, so it is well not to put copper and pewter coins or tokens in the same drawer.



## Recollections of an Old Collector



By THOMAS L. ELDER

### Why Not?

IN the din and confusion over collecting commemorative coins, one line of coins, a most important one, seems to be neglected. Why do we not hear more about the rare current U. S. gold coins? They are disappearing so fast from the scene that collectors won't awaken to the fact until there are no more of them to be had. In view of the known facts comparatively few collect gold coins. Why not? A couple of years ago the government ordered all common current gold returned to the treasury. The response of the public was indeed generous. It was so large that hundreds of millions of dollars in gold were quickly turned over to the officials. Without going into the merits of the order I believe this act was very significant from the standpoint of the scarcity of U. S. gold. On this account, I may add that all U. S. gold is rare. What of the stock-broker collectors of coins? We had quite a few of them at Lawrence's sale in June, 1929. At least five members of the stock exchange attended that auction. Yet they have been very quiet ever since, particularly after that unusual little debacle of the 23rd of October, in 1929. Will any of us forget it? Almost any shoe-black remembers it. Everybody had stocks then. Not so many have stocks now. But it is truly remarkable that since the order came to turn in gold that we have noted so few new collectors of gold coins in the field. The offerings of the early eagles, half and quarter eagles in the last year or so have been rather plentiful, and the response to them has been indifferent. It is believed that in a couple of years we will see a different state of affairs, and the rarity of this U. S. gold will be appreciated. Take the rare double eagles, probably there are only two or three dealers in the entire country who have any of them to offer to collectors. It is also confidently predicted that less and less of this material will be seen in the sales. The response has been too limited and indifferent. There is a pretty well-founded rumor that about every gold coin turned into the mint in the last two years is now resting there in the form of gold bars. This means you will never see these gold coins again. There is little prospect that the government will issue gold again in the form of coins. It is not only these commemorative coins which are going to be so rare in the future, it also is the rare U. S. gold coins and U. S. mint marked gold coins which you are

going to hunt for some day without finding them. The large find of gold made at Baltimore, of some \$25,000 worth, has hurt the market a little bit, but these coins are being licked up fast by the collecting public, and there is no prospect of another such find coming onto the market. Gold dollars are selling too cheap in view of their limited issue and the supply. They are going higher, and don't forget one thing. The President has recently had extended another year the law which permits him to devalue the U. S. dollar to 50c. If this is done, and the pressure in Congress for inflation gives signs that this may come to pass,—any gold dollar will be worth \$2 for face value only, let alone what it is worth to collectors. It would mean the cutting of the gold content of each dollar in half in other words, two dollars for each gold dollar, don't you see! A simple matter of arithmetic. If you are a collector of gold coins you are on the right track. Rare gold coins are good. Make no mistakes. The wonder is, as I have intimated that there are so few collectors of them. When you have gold today you have something and make no mistake!

### The Guichainvilles Part III

In our last issue the writer told you of the two curious old French numismatic experts, the Guichainvilles, and of the accident to the old Baron, who got killed by a trolley car, while on his way to my coin shop on 23rd Street, New York, back about 1912. Left alone was the son, Raoul de Guichainville, a Frenchman about fifty years old. He had an enormous nose, a large head, thick matted hair and a very red face. He was tall, and like his father had defective vision, so that he stumbled long the streets, almost groping his way. All his life he had studied obscure mediaeval and ancient coins. He was a walking numismatic encyclopaedia and came of a family of numismatists. After his old father had taken my coin books and hocked them with a pawnbroker the younger Guichainville still had a full equipment of numismatic brains with which to decipher the queer inscriptions and to name the obscure rulers. But his mental defects persisted. He made the rounds daily of his patrons and benefactors on Fourth Avenue. At Mr. Lows', at the Knoedler Art store on Fifth Avenue, at Proskey's, and our shop. Considering his physical plight and his depleted finances it occurred to me to see if I could not induce some church organization to help him. I

wrote a line to Dr. Palmer of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church whom I knew, for some aid to Guichainville. The next thing I knew Dr. Palmer had visited Guichainville in his room on Seventeenth Street, which experience he described to me. The wealth of dirt, old newspapers, cobwebs and darkness which met his gaze when he entered the room he spoke of later to me.

"Guichainville had a cat" he said. "This old Tom-cat would spring onto the Baron's shoulders at the approach of anybody, and assume an attitude of defense," he added. Dr. Palmer left some money with the queer baron and departed. Later it came the writer's turn to investigate the Count in his den. Walking through an old tumble-down part of West Seventeenth Street, not far from the Hudson river, the writer at last found the house, and the basement room in which the queer Guichainville lived. Knocking on the door the Frenchman came laboriously to the door and unlocked it. Much surprised he apologized for the appearance of things. Groping in semi-darkness towards the rear I passed through an aisle going through apparently a ton or so of old newspapers, which the count had speared as he walked along the streets. These newspapers were piled six or seven feet high all over the room. Spiders had drawn webs across the tops of them, and insects roamed about in droves. Not far from the front door I noticed a magnificent marble statue, of a beautiful woman. It was the work of a celebrated French sculptor, whose name I have forgotten, the subject being the count's mother. It had been one of the sole relics of more prosperous days of the Guichainville family. Spiders had webs extending from this statue towards the walls of the room. At the back of the room was a single gas jet and a small oil stove. The insects bit the count until his face grew red.

Nearby stood a narrow lounge or bed, and one or two simple chairs. The baron was agitated by my call, which he was puzzled to interpret, whether as a compliment or as an intrusion. The squalor, the tons of old papers, and other refuse, led me at once to decide to have the place cleaned up. I did not know the janitor or his name, so I wrote to the board of health about the condition of the place. There were immediate results, as I learned in a few days through an indignant call from the Baron. He shook his cane at me and told me I had made a lot of trouble for him. Furthermore, he had decided to give up his labors in the United States, numismatic and otherwise, and decamp for France. He made good his threat. The French Benevolent Society furnished him the



money to pay his ship-fare to France. I begged him to not sacrifice the statue of his mother, which stood in his room. He declared he would not allow me to have anything to do with it. That was the last I ever saw of the Baron Le Guichainville. He sailed for France. What he did with the masterpiece in marble, the bust of his mother, I never knew. But I have since learned from the president of the French Benevolent Society that they saw to it that he got back to his native land. They could not even tell me what town or city he went to or to what institution. Apparently he was mad clear through at everybody including his benefactors here, and had not even given them the satisfaction of knowing where he was going, or whether he still pursued his numismatic work. That was in 1926, ten years ago. Suffice it to say he was, with all his eccentricities, one of the most learned men on ancient and mediaeval coins I have ever met with.

#### An Old Collector

Sitting in my room, at 238 Sheridan Avenue, Pittsburgh, back in 1902, I heard a rap one evening at my front door. Going to it I noticed a short, stout man with a mustache. "Is this where Thomas L. Elder lives?" he asked.

## "Sic Semper Tyrannis"



By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

**D**URING our early history when the English colonies in America were revolting against restrictions and attempts at taxation, Patrick Henry and his colleagues aroused the Virginia Legislature and the inhabitants of Virginia to such state of defiance that Governor Dunmore was compelled to flee to the British ship "Fowley." Thereupon the Virginia committee of safety took measures for the calling of a convention which convened at Williamsburg on May 6, 1776. The plan of government drawn up by a committee delegated to the important task was adopted on June 12, 1776. Furthermore, a seal was adopted of which the following is a description:

"To be engraved on the GREAT SEAL: Virtus, the genius of the commonwealth, dressed like an Amazon resting on a spear with one hand, and holding a sword in the other, and treading on TYRANNY, represented by a man prostrate, a crown fallen from his head, a broken chain in his left hand, and a scourge in his right.

"In the exergon, the word VIRGINIA over the head of VIRTUS; and underneath the words Sic semper tyrannis." The latter phrase meaning "Thus ever to tyrants."

"I am John Beck." He was indeed the odd collector John Beck, who owned the Salt Spring in Allegheny, Pa., and who at that time was electrifying the coin-collecting fraternity by his purchases of eagle cents of 1856 and California gold slugs.

"Do you know B. Max Mehl?" he asked. "Yes, I knew Mehl. He had just commenced as a coin dealer, as a young man out in Texas. Beck had had some dealings with him even then. Beck carried with him that night some few interesting coins, a few 1856 cents, and a slug or so, which he showed me. He exhibited also a club of a walking stick and a hand billy which he toyed with, and carried for protection against any possible holdup men. At that day holdups had not become the fine art of today, yet Beck was prepared for any emergency. A few years later Beck died. He left several hundred 1856 cents, and some say a hundred slugs. But no positive statement as to their number has come to light. He was eccentric and left an eccentric will I am informed, which, while it told much, like Shakespeare's philosophy had the merit of brevity. It is said to have been composed of eight words, something like the following: "All I have I leave to my family."

Years later, with the development of state banking and the issue of state bank notes, there appeared notes bearing the great seal of Virginia. Some instances of these notes are the one dollar note of the Bank of Pittsylvania at Chatham; the one dollar note of the Monticello Bank at Charlottesville, and the one dollar note of The City of Portsmouth.

Furthermore, the motto became associated with two events of historical importance. The one, with the Hungarian Revolution of 1849; the other, with the assassination of President Lincoln.

In 1849, Austria took steps to force the Hungarians into becoming a single centralized monarchy; but the latter, under the intelligent leadership of Louis Kossuth, declared its independence and appointed Kossuth as president. All might have turned out well had not Russia, who feared lest the revolt spread to Poland, interfered and subdued Hungary which was handed back to Austria as a province. Kossuth escaped to Turkey, and then visited Great Britain and the United States where he made fervent attempts to secure aid in the restoration of Hungary. A scheme for raising money consisted of the issue of promissory notes described here:

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The device at the top center of the note is very similar to that of the great seal of Virginia, and even bears the inscription "Sic Semper Tyrannis." The left side portrays Kossuth, and the right side bears his printed signature.

The motto sprang into usual prominence in 1865. John Wilkes Booth, a half deranged actor, had fought on the side of the Confederacy during the Civil War; and after the defeat of the South, he, seeking vengeance, formed a conspiracy against Lincoln and some of his cabinet. He took upon himself the role of assassinating the President; and while the latter was in a box at Ford's Theatre on April 14, 1865, Booth stole up behind him and fired a shot into the back of Lincoln's head. As Booth leaped from the box to the stage, his cry was "Sic Semper Tyrannis."

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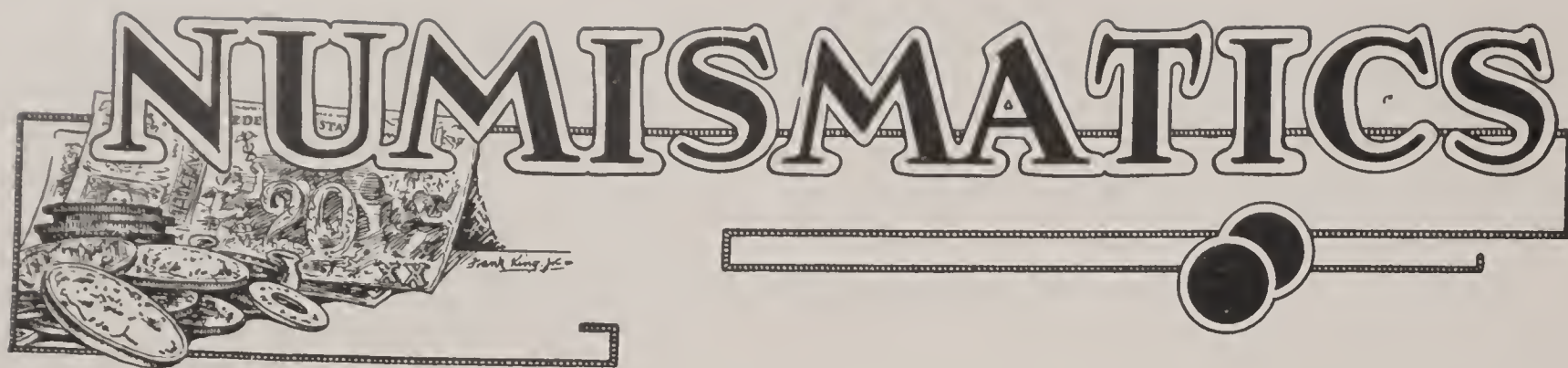
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## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By  
FRANK C. ROSS

CALIFORNIA is doubly blessed numismatically with its two major Coin Clubs, the Pacific Coast Club of San Francisco and the California Coin Club of Los Angeles. They are a mighty fine pair to draw to. These two neighboring Clubs frequently hold joint sessions and when they do the members all have a "piping time of it," with their joint displays, their good eats, and swapping of coins. As an officer of one of the Clubs writes, "The fellow who has a collection of Indian head cents is just as big as the fellow with a complete set of twenty-dollar gold pieces; he is a student of numismatics and that is our aim."

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Of what use were the old fashioned white pennies and the dime sized three cent pieces, has often been asked, considering they could be so easily mistaken for nickels and dimes. They were for the use of youngsters. Most of the old timers chuckle over how, when boys, they played the "rush act" on the ticket sellers during the rush hour at the box office trading white pennies or a three cent piece for a dime seat in the gallery.

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Penny wise—dollar foolish. Walter Winchell is responsible for this:—A brand new dollar (coin) was rolling down hill when it encountered a penny. "Get outta my way" barked the buck, "can't you see how pretty I am? And not only that, but it takes one hundred of you to make one of me." The penny didn't lose its temper. "Maybe so," it said, "but I get to church more often than you do." Pretty is as pretty does.

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As a small boy I took ma's big iron kettle into the hayloft of the barn and built a small fire in it. The fire itself was small but the smoke escaping from the barn brought out the fire department and a big crowd. The smoke was a false alarm. Cents make a very substantial, interesting and

worth while collection, but the "smoke" about the fabulous values of the million-minted coins is a false alarm. The fire departments—the exploiters—are answering a false alarm and the crowd that follows expecting to see a real fire is due for a disappointment. It may be true that where there's smoke there's fire, but it is also true that a small fire oft makes a big smoke.

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The Maumee Valley Coin Club, of Toledo, Ohio, celebrated its first anniversary March 15, with a banquet and exhibit at the Waldorf Hotel. The M. V. C. C. is expecting to double its membership in 1936. Good luck and best wishes to you.

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There are many collectors who still remember when the 1820 large cent brought not only a nice premium, but a big bonus. There were over four million minted but owing to one of the unaccountable things in numismatics this particular date became unexplainably scarce. Of all the places in the world to dig, some one had to dig in the particular spot where a hoard of 1820 cents had been cached, and these particular cents, as fate would have it, were uncirculated and untarnished. Result—a big drop in premiums and bonuses. Advice—cater to the coins of small mintage.

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We frequently read the bed time story "An 1804 dollar found." This would, if true, be news, and be followed up, but also that one little item is all the notice it gets for everyone knows it is a fairy tale. A newly found 1804 dollar is like the stranger in our midst, who, says the Montreal Star, "He jumped from nowhere, then disappeared from whence he came."

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A reader writes, "I paid \$5 for a 1793 silver dollar to a stranger that 'didn't know anything about old coins.' It is so rare it is not even listed. Please advise the most advantageous

way for me to dispose of it." I replied "if the stranger, instead of you, had written me he would have said 'I just unloaded a 1798 silver dollar altered to 1793 on a stranger that 'didn't know anything about old coins.' The most advantageous way for you to dispose of the 1798-1793 dollar is to buy a magnifying glass and a statistic book with it and forget the other \$4."

Do not buy unlisted coins without first consulting a specialist, and do not buy rarities without giving them the "once over" with a lens. Genuine rarities running around loose are as scarce as, to quote Ching Chow, "eggs with four corners—or fools without vanity."

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A Pennsylvania reader signs himself "an amateur collector" but the following excerpt from his letter on Coin Committees graduates him from the amateur ranks.

"The casual buyer of a commemorative half is satisfied with only one coin but the collector must secure all dates and mints. This indicates to my mind that the various committees are taking particular advantage of the collector's situation. The committees should be reminded they are going beyond their privileges. It is a waste of time to holler about speculators; they couldn't get very far without the committees. We should however give applause and honor to those committees who limited their coins to one mint and one year as they make the racketeer's status all the more vivid."

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It would be difficult to imagine anything less like a boxer to talk to than Tommy Loughran, known as the "high-brow boxer of America." He can talk interestingly on a number of subjects, but one of his favorite hobbies is numismatics.

Tommy's nose is anything but Roman, but when the other day someone at Wembley gave him a Roman coin he was as excited as a school-boy.

The coin, incidentally, is one of several hundred found in a casket during excavations carried out in Tavistock-square some twelve or thirteen years ago.



The rest of the collection is in the British Museum.

Tommy is going to have this coin, which is bronze and a little larger than a six-pence, put in a special case when he gets back home in Philadelphia.

*Daily Sketch* (England), October 28, 1935.

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"All signs fail in hot weather." All rules do not hold good in numismatics. Deductively the little silver half dimes should be very, very scarce but instead they are very plentiful. Being so small, easily dropped and hard to find, one would imagine they were lost in great numbers; also that when mintage was discontinued they would be quickly turned into the banks, sent to the mint and reminted. Just why this did not happen—one guess is as good as another. Probably because they were so easily lost people did not carry them. When mintage was stopped, people probably liked the pretty little fellows and instead of turning them in dropped them into the "stocking collection" with the other odds and ends. Have you ever noticed in the "family collections" there are always a lot of half dimes? Look through that old neglected collection your father left you, take out the half dimes and see if you won't find some of the following dates. You will probably not find any of the real old ones before 1806, but you might find some of the later, but scarier ones. These are scarce and will become valuable. Why go crazy over commemorative half dollars when you can secure the much scarcer half dimes? 1846—1860 with stars—1863S 1864—1864S—1865S—1866S—1867 — 1867S—1868S—1869S—1871S — 1872 S—1873S.

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And while you have the old collection out looking for the half dimes you might as well check out the following coins:

Three cent (nickel), 1878.

Three cent (silver), 1864-1873.

Nickel 1878.

Dimes 1866 — 1867 — 1872CC — 1873CC—1874CC.

Twenty cent 1876CC—1877—1878.

Quarter 1866 without motto In God We Trust.—1870CC—1871CC—1872CC—1873CC no arrows.

Dollars, 1851 — 1852 — 1858—1866 with no motto—1870S—1871CC 1872CC—1873CC—1873S.

Trade Dollar, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883.

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Reporters are doing better, but there is still room for improvement. Reporting a gold dollar being dug up in Maine the item stated it was of the date of 1849 and its condition

"still shiny." Now if they had given the mint mark it would have been a perfect report. There were four "mints" of the 1849 gold dollar, C, D, O and Philadelphia, the value of the dollar depending on the mint.

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The most interesting revelation by the Nye committee is that J. P. Morgan with all his power has no more control when it comes to keeping his pipe lighted than we have. *N. Y. Sun*.

And with all his power he has no better chance of finding a "sleeper"—an odd coin—in his change than the lowliest of us. He may have the edge on us in handling big money but the odd coins are found in small change. A coin collector gets more real genuine pleasure and satisfaction out of what he collects than a money maker out of what he makes.

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Dr. Alexis Carrel of France compares our peace of mind to a placid lake, and says the best insurance against a nervous breakdown is to "keep the peace of the inner self in the midst of tumult." If you wish to see placidity itself, just watch a coin collector going over his coins. There is one thing unknown to a coin collector and that is tumult. There may be tumult to left of him, tumult to right of him, tumult all around him, but he himself remains a placid lake. Nervousness in many cases leads to insanity but you never find a coin collector in an asylum, for, had he been a coin collector he would not have gone insane. For that nervousness take the Coin Cure.

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What happened to the 20,000 issue of 1804 dollars? Statistics "give up" and frankly admit they cannot answer the question. Legend answers it right off the bat, answers it three times and in three different ways. All of them are true, so just take your choice of the three and forget the other two. Legend says the entire output was sent to China and lost; that they went to Tripoli and were lost; that they were sent to France as part payment of the Louisiana purchase.

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# Washington's Silver Dollar



By STEPHEN G. RICH

NOW that Walter Johnson has shown us that it is physically possible to throw a silver dollar across the Rappahannock as George Washington is reported to have done, it is time that the claims made by some that there were no silver dollars in Washington's boyhood, and that the story of the feat is therefore a mere legend should be cast into the limbo of absurd statements. The plain truth is that the silver dollar is a far older coin than is generally supposed and that it was in current use throughout the British Colonies in North America for a century and a half before the Revolution.

The English colonists, according to Carothers in his book on Fractional Money (1930), used the British money of account, reckoning all values in terms of pounds, shillings, and pence. They applied the English terminology to the various foreign coins which circulated in the colonies and which far outnumbered the English coins. So few were the actual pound gold pieces, silver shillings, and metallic pennies that as early as 1700 the money of account in each colony did not agree with the actual trade value of the English coins. Thus an English shilling may have been worth as much as two shillings in the reckoning of New York or as little as one shilling one penny in Georgia.

Coin was scarce in the colonies but every ship from Europe brought a small quantity of coins and a steady stream of silver came in on the West India trade. Thus gold coins from England, France, Portugal, and Arabia were in use up and down the colonies. Silver coins from Mexico, Peru, Holland, Germany, Sweden, England, and France circulated. Carothers states that a South Carolina statute of 1701 established legal tender values for silver coins of nine countries and gold coins of four.

The predominant coin throughout the colonies was the Spanish piece-of-eight or eight real piece. This was known as the peso, the piastre, the piece-of-eight, and the Spanish dollar. This famous coin, fairly entitled to rate as the greatest of historical coins, came from the Spanish mints in Mexico, Peru, and Spain. The Spaniards established mints in Mexico in 1535 and in Peru in 1621. Before 1700 a stream of silver from these mints began to pour into the trade of North America. For 200 years Mexico, and Peru provided the greater part of the world's currency.

The colonies received Spanish coins

chiefly from the West Indies. They further received supplies of Spanish coins from the French and Spanish settlements along the Gulf of Mexico while pirates and other marine adventurers brought coin to various Atlantic ports. Before 1650 Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Virginia had passed a law making Spanish coins a legal tender. From that time on the "dollars of Mexico, Seville and Pillar" were the first consideration and the basis of all values in the currency statutes of all the colonies.

The Spanish dollar was a definite piece of metal worth four shillings and six pence in English coin and it received a rating in local currency in accordance with its value in the London markets. Because of the different currency laws and customs in the different colonies the Spanish dollar was rated as low as five shillings in Georgia and as high as eight shillings in New York.

Writers on currency tell us that the Spanish dollar had a weight of 388 grains of pure silver, reduced in 1738 to 382 and a fraction grains. When this dollar was adopted for our national currency under the law of 1792 the weight was reduced to 371 grains of fine silver. In the ordinary handling of money in business these differences are somewhat less than the difference in weight between worn and new coins originally identical.

We therefore see that when George Washington threw the silver dollar across the Rappahannock he actually was handling a coin so nearly the same in size and weight as the dollars thrown at the same point by Walter Johnson in 1936 that no person has a sensitive enough touch to distinguish one from the other as to weight. The complete correctness of Johnson's performance and the evi-

dence for George Washington being a skilled athlete are quite evident.

One of the curious things in connection with George Washington's dollar is the fact that these coins were cut in halves, fourth, or eighths and used that way for small change during most of the colonial period. This was known as "sharp change" and its use lasted into the early national period. Along with the sharp change the smaller Spanish coins such as the real and the two-real piece were extensively in use. The real was called a "bit." To this day its name survives in the term "two bits" for a quarter dollar.

It was not until after 1850 that Spanish coins and other foreign money stopped being the usual small change in this country. Up to about 1840 there was so little U.S. coinage that all our prices were adjusted to the Spanish real at the rate of eight to a dollar. Instead of pricing things at five cents or ten cents they were set at six and a quarter cents or twelve and a half cents. These odd sums of money were half reals or reals. Even the post office set its rates of postage in these terms to as late a date as 1840. It was only at that time that rates in even cents such as five cents were introduced.

Thus George Washington's dollar, which was a Spanish coin, not only was in regular use during his lifetime but became the basis of our national currency. Our dollar was not invented after the Revolution but was simply taken into the system of coinage when the British money names were knocked out. Our present dollar and in particular our present silver dollar is the continuation of a coin that has been continuously in use in this country since the days when the last Indians were being driven back of the Watchung Mountains and when what is now the fine farming land in the Lehigh Valley was a wilderness of oaks, bears, and catamounts.

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“ “ —Arkansas .....	10,011	5,005.50
“ “ —Providence, R. I. ....	30,021	15,010.50
“ “ —Texas .....	20,015	10,007.50
Quarter Dollars .....	2,456,000	614,000.00
Dimes .....	850,000	85,000.00
Total Silver .....	4,096,055	1,094,027.50
<b>Minor</b>		
Five Cent Nickel .....	6,019,000	300,950.00
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## Recollections of an Old Collector



By THOMAS L. ELDER

### More Commemoratives Proposed

NOTWITHSTANDING the President's published antipathy to the issuing of more commemorative half-dollars, many persist in offering proposals to congress for additional ones. It has been proposed that a coin be issued to commemorate DeSoto's discovery of the Mississippi River; another to commemorate the founding of New Rochelle, N. Y.; and we have just learned of one offered by a Committee at Columbia, S. C. to commemorate the Sesquicentennial of Columbia. At this writing the fate of these offerings is, of course, unknown as no hint has come that Mr. Roosevelt has changed his mind on the subject. For his attitude we must condemn mostly the speculators who have used commemoratives to further their interests by the buying up of small issues, by offering a multitude of new dates and mints, by attempting to corner issues, and other plots, which every decent numismatist deplores and condemns.

The writer has always advocated that commemorative coins should be issued for the benefit of the collectors in general, but they should have a wide distribution, and should not be made the mediums for Shylock speculators to carry on their nefarious work. A very late issue, while offering a wide distribution, had as a detriment a very limited number of pieces struck. Already \$25 to \$40 apiece is being offered for these limited issues. We presume coin collectors are no more to be blamed than stamp collectors and that the same efforts of speculators are being attempted, and have been attempted, in stamp collecting.

### Charles Podhaiski

Here is a Polish name, but who of modern collectors ever heard of Charles Podhaiski? About 1900, when the writer first began to make pilgrimages to New York City in search of coins, and to attend the old sales of Lyman H. Low, Mr. Podhaiski was very much in evidence, a heavy man, of medium height of florid countenance with a long nose, piercing gray eyes, beetling brows and large mouth. He was well posted on ancient and foreign coins. He dabbled also in gems and old jewelry, fobs, seals and scarabs. He loved history and historical coins, particularly foreign crowns. The sight of these treasures affected him emotionally and he would often pull out of his pocket a large hand-

kerchief and blow his nose with a resounding blast. He preferred coins of the last three hundred years. Furthermore, he acted as an agent for other collectors at the coin sales, including men like Charles Gregory, a member of the New York Exchange, who was at that time active as a collector of foreign coins and oriental coins, and who collected also old jewelry. Gregory died some years afterwards and left his fine collection to the American Numismatic Society, where it rests in the society museum in New York City. My earliest recollection of Podhaiski was about 1902 when he offered me several hundred pieces, at eight cents each, of old Holland Jetons, dated before 1600. He had secured the collection at one of Low's sales. These old jetons do not seem to turn up in hundred lots any more. Podhaiski continued to attend the coin sales of both Low, and Frossard, the younger in New York. He used the name of "Charles" when he got a lot knocked down to him.

This odd numismatic character made many visits to my store on East 23rd Street from 1904 until about 1912. His history, although he never confided it to me, was remarkable. An official in Tiffany & Co., since dead, told me Charles Podhaiski was a direct descendant of Stanislaus, the last Polish king." The only time Mr. Podhaiski loosened up a bit in the way of telling me of his genealogy was merely a remark he once dropped casually to me. "Ancestry. I could tell you something about ancestry if I wanted to." Apparently the Czarist government of Russia had it in for Podhaiski. For certain reasons which I never learned, he seemed to have been marked for death by the former ruler of Russia. At times he dropped little hints to me that he was being watched, followed and plotted against by emissaries of Russia. Once he declared to me that the Czarists had even set a handsome woman on his trail, to poison or kill him, and that she made hard efforts to beguile him and to betray him to the secret service, or agents in America, of the late Czar. For a number of years I saw Podhaiski nearly every day. In fact, I employed him at times in my store, due to his knowledge of coins and the sale business. He helped me by doing little odd jobs. He would take out of his pocket on occasions a big, red bandanna handkerchief and pour the contents out on a desk or table, revealing a motley assortment of coins, gems, scarabs, old rings,

fobs, etc., and offer to sell all or any of them to me.

I heard more of Podhaiski and the plotters who dogged his footsteps. He came less and less to my store. The matter seemed to prey on his mind and worried him greatly. Suddenly he disappeared from the scene at New York. I was not warned of his departure. His accounts were in good order. In order to elude his political enemies he had secretly decamped. The only thing I heard of him afterwards was that he had drifted out west to California. I think he went into an institution for a time. His worries over plots seemed to have affected his mind. Then came a brief report of his death. Thus ended the career of a lonely old numismatist who came of royal blood. If any of HOBBIES readers can throw any more light on his last days in the west I should be glad to have particulars. For a good many years he was a somewhat striking figure and influence on numismatics in New York. There is indeed a possibility that his enemies found him out west and succeeded in making away with him.

### A New Catalog on Foreign Copper Coins

We are glad to see that an enterprising Chicago collector has gotten out a reprint of J. W. Scott's Book on Foreign and American Copper and Nickel Coins, which includes the cuts shown in Scott's of thousands of interesting coins together with comparative retail prices for each. The late J. W. Scott, located on Fulton Street, New York, issued this book originally about 1911. No other has appeared since to equal or approach it. The new reprint should assist in making a very interesting and valuable class of coins more popular, viz., foreign copper and nickel coins. Many of these coins are in reach of the smaller collectors or beginners. This book should have a large circulation and we believe it will benefit because of the scarcity of books of this class. About every other class of coins has had book additions to them except foreign copper coins. If every dealer handled such a book there would be a boom in these copper coins, which we hope there will be.

### The Time to Shoot Bears

We hear sad tales occasionally of how a coin collector who when lacking but one or two rare U.S. gold coins to complete his set, has either hesitated or bid too low on it when it was offered at auction and lost it. The sad part is that such a coin may not appear again at a sale for years. Lyman H. Low, the late veteran cataloger, and authority on coins once said to me, "The time to shoot bears is when the bears are around." He meant that the time to secure a coin



was when it was offered and not at some other time. Any man, who can afford a rare three dollar gold piece should not be afraid to go for it, even at \$200 for one dated 1876. My advice to a big collector is to never allow a few dollars difference in a price either at public or private sale hinder him from going after and securing it.

### Pattern Coins Are Selling Too Low Today

Commemorative coins have jumped in price, so have U.S. minor coins and small cents. Many medium grade large cents are higher. Old U.S. silver also is higher. But the rare U.S. pattern coins have been going too cheap at the sales. One of the reasons given is that too many have come into the market in the last two years; another reason is the depression. Just a year ago there was fine competition on a group of these coins offered in New York City at auction. But more recently the story is different. The two big collectors who helped to make prices at the sale a year ago have stopped collecting these patterns. The results show a comparatively thin market on patterns, although the cheaper patterns hold up in price very well. However, admirers of pattern coins should not become discouraged. These coins are going to improve in price from now on. First because the surplus of them hanging over the market is all gone, and second, because when collectors begin to see by their absence from the sales in the future, how really rare the rare patterns are there will be a pickup in their prices. The writer does not know of any large stock of them in the hands of any dealer. Therefore collectors should secure any which are offered, from an investment standpoint if from no other. These coins are beautiful and come in the best condition. Collect them whenever offered.

### Big Rarities in Private Gold Are Off in Price

A recent record of \$1175, at auc-

tion for a Shults & Company five dollar gold coin, in the best condition obtainable, shows that the depression, or the absence of big magnates from the coin market today, has affected the price of the biggest rarities in private gold coins. At the Lawrence sale I held in 1929, we got \$3500 for a very fine Shults & Company. The above recent record represents a shrinkage of over 65% in sale value of this rare piece. Many people have never seen the piece. There are other very rare gold coins of the private kind held over the present market, but after seeing what this Shults & Company coin sold for it is not likely that many such pieces will be offered or seen in sales in the near future. This moreover shows the vagaries of the coin market. One never knows what class of coins will appreciate the most in value in the future. Certainly the rarest things have suffered the most, but the moderate rarities have suffered little while the medium grade things seem in many cases to have improved in price. Always remember too that we have a 59 cent dollar today. If you don't believe it try to buy some Dutch guilders, foreign exchange, to find out that you will pay 70c in U.S. money for one Dutch guilder, worth about 40 cents. If this is remembered the price of \$1175 for a Shults & Company \$5 coin becomes more astounding than ever for its slump from 1929. We may yet have a 50-cent dollar. The president has the authority to give us one if he wants to in the coming year.

### Jackson on Bonus Bonds

The bonus baby bonds, some two billion dollars worth of them, will bear the likeness of President Jackson. Secretary Morgenthau said that it would never do to use pictures of Harding, Coolidge, Hoover and Roosevelt, because they vetoed bonus legislation; and so it may be appropriate

to go back to Jackson in whose recorded utterances there is nothing on the World war to which anybody could take exception. The only doubt as to the appropriateness of the selection results from the fact that Jackson, during his administration, paid off the entire national debt. For the last two years he was in office, the United States did not owe a cent—a situation that had never before existed, and that has never existed since. —*New Bedford Standard-Times*.

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## "To Clean or Not to Clean?"



By JNO. A. HOOPER

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IN looking over my first attempt at being a publisher and editor, in my amateur stamp and coin journal, "The Gazette," published in 1876,—just sixty years ago, I ran across a coin item which may be interesting to those who are less than seventy-five years of age.

The item in question was on "Old and Ancient Coins," and was from the pen of my father, Joseph Hooper, who was one of the promoters of the American Numismatic Association, with Wm. G. Jerrems and Dr. Geo. F. Heath. The article said, in part: "Coins that have no visible date may be carefully cleaned, so as to find the date or time of issue, but, coins of a well-defined issue should not be cleaned, if several hundreds of years old. This does not apply to coins of the U.S. and Britain, especially the silver pieces, which should be carefully cleaned to show date and issue, care being taken to not rub or scratch the surface. The use of oils, weak acids or soaps may be of advantage, if the collectors know how to use same. The fad of letting old pottery, ancient coins, brasses, etc., remain with their original rust, dirt, etc., is done solely to increase the feeling of antiquity. This is not necessary in coins with a defined date of issue."

Probably I may be permitted to say that Wm. G. Jerrems was the first president of the A.N.A. forty-five years ago. His son is carrying on a successful nation-wide business, with a branch in Los Angeles. Dr. Geo. F. Heath, the founder of the A.N.A., was the second president, and A. G. Heaton the third president. My father, was elected president of the A.N.A. in 1898—just thirty-eight years ago, and died in Rochester, N. Y., in 1914. I had the good fortune to know these old-time coin enthusiasts, and enjoy hearing from the sons of these pioneers.

When I read Paul M. Lange's able article on the cleaning of coins, in a recent issue of the HOBBIES, I felt that he had done a good turn for numismatics by setting doubting collectors on the right path. Coins can be made more interesting and really more valuable, more "intelligible" and more of an incentive towards advancing coin collecting, when, (especially the silver ones of modern times), are properly cleaned.

The fad of not cleaning was never intended for modern coins, but for those who wanted to see rust, pit marks, corroded articles to appear "ancient". Those collectors who never

allowed the public to gaze upon their rusty, musty, dirty and corroded coins, had the false idea that the more rusty and ancient looking in appearance would prove they were old? What fallacy! The finest collections I have even seen in my world tours have all had the old dirt and rust removed, so that people can see the actual dates. I have used soaps, soda water, chemicals, etc., but never scoured or brushed a single coin. Coin dealers and jewelers all know what to use on certain coins. Gold coins should not be touched except by an expert. Copper and bronze require different treatment. I go carefully over my silver coins and enhance the beauty and value without even using a soft flannel or a brush. It is too bad if any numismatist thinks he is making U.S. old silver dollars or one-half dollars, look ancient because he leaves it looking like an old lead nickel. No U.S. silver coin can be made to look "ancient." At least, it does not "boondoggle" some of our active buying collectors, who are buying coins from sales and dealers. I do not sell or exchange coins, but much of my collection was bequeathed to me, and I have augmented same from every coin sale of prominence during the past ten years. I have purchased from Max Mehl, J. C. Morgenthau & Co., Elder Co., M. H. Bolender, Scott Coin Co., Gilmore, Chas. H. Fisher (Cleveland), the late H. Chapman (Philadelphia), N. Schultz, B. Bluestone, and found all of them very satisfactory. My specialties are British war medals, U.S. silver dollars, and halves, also large cents, of which I have now some 694 varieties so-called, trying to build up another "French collection," or as near it as I can. I do not collect any 20th century coins or stamps.

Who were the old curiosity and coin dealers of sixty years ago? I remember how I exchanged old U.S. and Canada "coppers" with W. F. Greany, of San Francisco, for some of the brass China "cash." In my publication of 1876-77 I have such firms as H. S. Bacon, coins, Camden, N. J., J. T. Lively, coins, London; Wm. P. Brown, New York City; C. L. Stake, U.S. copper coins, Dayton, Ohio; N. E. Carter, Delavan, Wis.; Jos. J. Casey, (coin journal) New York. How I would like to hear from the old-timers. I am thinking of forming a "Boys of the Old Brigade" just for old-time's sake.

Among the articles in the 1877 issues there were "A Rare Siege Piece,"

being an account of finding a silver coin in Vienna struck in 1532; another article on the coins of Turkey and Hungary; also item re finding a hoard of Roman coins of the time of Emperors Gallienus and Probus; some silver as well as bronze. Another item said:—"The U.S. cent of 1814 is said to contain gold!"—Well, we old-timers may have been "looney," but, we were seldom-fooled—or even boondoggled.

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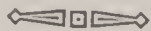
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## Coin Conversation



### *The Meaning of Commemorative*

*Massachusetts*—I am glad to see by the last issue of HOBBIES that one coin club at least is getting tired of the way the commemorative one-half dollars are issued. To me the coin is to commemorate a certain event in our history, and one coin issued on the proper date is all that is necessary. If it seems best to coin others they should be dated with the correct year. The Pilgrims landed at Plymouth in 1620 not in 1621, so the 1921 coin means nothing except a little more money for the speculator. I consider one of the first date only necessary for either the Oregon trail or Boone, and as to mints they are entirely foolish to my mind as stars and crosses which any die cutter could very easily put on. This is a commemorative collection—in remembrance of great events in this country—not a date collection. I hope others will protest if they are of this opinion.—N. A. Cushman.

### *Protests Present Methods*

*Green Bay, Wis.*—It is time something was done about the commemorative coin. An ordinary coin collector is out of the picture as far as trying to add to his collection. When the 1934-1935 S & D mints of Daniel Boone coins came out last fall I sent in a check for a pair of them (this was some two or three weeks before they were put on sale) or before notice was out for their sale. I waited some time and the check was returned to me with the following answer:—"Regret to return your remittance herewith. The new D & S limited issues are so small there will not be enough for one set to each of my regular customers"—And the December notice had not yet even reached them.

Again last February sent in a check for some Rhode Island coins,—the letter reaching them some two weeks before they were put on sale (March 5). Two weeks later the money was returned, saying as follows:—

"Dear Sir:—The Rhode Island Tercentenary half dollars were placed on sale in Rhode Island Banks on March 5, 1936. The entire issue was disposed of within a few hours, hence we cannot fill your order. Your remittance of \$..... is returned herewith."

Now if this racket is kept up it will kill the collecting of commemorative coins, as people will not stand for this rotten way of a few cornering them and raising the price so

high the small collector is out of luck.

Now we understand the pair of Boone's are selling at a price out of reach of nearly all collectors.

We note that a number of coin clubs will not buy any more commemorative coins unless the prices come down to earth. If we stop buying the price will drop. Let the ones who cornered them hold the bag.

Let us hear from others—there are plenty of the same opinion.—C. H. Williams.



### *Rhode Island Committee Explains*

*Providence, R. I.*—The Rhode Island Tercentenary half dollars were minted for the purpose of providing the people of Rhode Island with a memento of the celebration of the 300th Anniversary of the founding of the State.

In accordance with that purpose, these coins were placed on sale in thirty banks in all of the cities and almost all of the large towns in the State of Rhode Island on March 5. Within forty-eight hours almost the entire issue was sold out. Up to March 18, 1936, the Committee has not sent outside of the State of Rhode Island a single one of these coins.

The price of the Rhode Island Tercentenary Half Dollar has remained at \$1.00 and no attempt has been made by the Committee to raise the price or commercialize this commemorative coin.

The demand for these half dollars was unprecedented in its volume. The Committee had not stimulated the demand, for it had not advertised these coins nor given them any publicity, and it had not solicited orders or money from anyone. Unsolicited remittances were sent in from many people throughout the country, and the Committee intended to comply with as many of these requests for coins as possible, after the demand within the State of Rhode Island bought up practically the complete issue, and consequently the Committee began at once to refund money to those who had remitted.

The chief regret of the Committee at the present time is that 100,000 coins were not minted instead of 50,000 in order that the desire of all coin collectors might be satisfied.—Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Tercentenary Committee, Incorporated.



### *Mint Marks Missing*

*Montana.*—I read with much inter-

est Mr. Ross's articles on the 1922 "D" cents in the January HOBBIES. I take it from his article that he has never seen the 1922 cents with the mint mark missing. I have sixteen of them, and under an ordinary hand glass, no evidence of a mint mark is visible. They are by no means "uncirculated specimens" nor are they badly worn.

For several years I have been collecting 1922 cents, and I estimate that I have had at least a thousand of them. Sold some and traded some and now have about 350 of the "D" on hand. Of the estimated thousand that I have had, I have found only the 16 mentioned above, minus the mint mark. This may give an idea of their scarcity.

In collecting 1922's I have picked up several broken die items of that date. I have four different types of breaks. The first, has a break from the "L" of Pluribus into the "O" of One. The second is the same as the first except that it has an additional break across the top portion of the right hand wreath. The third is the same as the second except that it has an additional break between the left hand edge of the left hand wreath and the edge of the coin. The fourth has only one break which is from the left edge of the coin across the stem of the left hand wreath to the "O" in Of.

In writing this to you I am not seeking publicity, I have only in mind that perhaps this information would somehow be of value to you in determining how the mint mark comes to be missing.—Harold C. White.



### *Bills Recently Introduced for Commemoratives*



A bill has been drawn up asking for a minting of 25,000 commemorative half-dollars for the fiftieth anniversary in 1936 of Cincinnati as a music center.

Wisconsin has also asked for a coin issue of 20,000 half dollars to commemorate its centenary of statehood in 1936.

The Commission arranging for the seventy-fifth anniversary celebration of the Battle of Gettysburg in 1938 is working for an issue of 100,000 commemorative 50-cent pieces.

A bill was introduced recently also asking for 100,000 50-cent pieces for the tercentenary celebration to be held throughout Long Island in June.



### *Personals*

Mr. Berkshire, member of the Kansas City, Mo., Coin Club, sojourned recently in Arizona and other points southwest.











# SWAPPERS' PAGE

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**CANADA** and airmails of all countries wanted. Give fine foreign in exchange. Harry Ream, Central Tower, Akron, Ohio. je367

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**LINGUAPHONE SPANISH** language, 30 records and books, like new. Will trade for U. S. stamps.—Griner, 920 Oak, Kansas City, Mo. o12441

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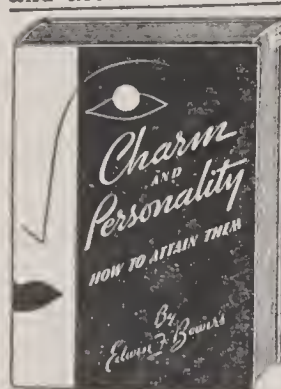
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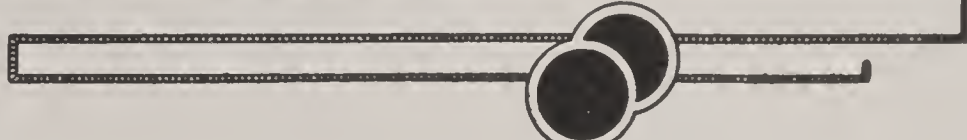








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*There'll Be a Demand.* If you have a marriageable daughter that you want to "see married well," just have it noised at a coin club that she would eventually fall heir to a major coin collection. It won't be long until the club members are taking up a collection to buy their most eligible bachelor a wedding present.

*Place In Sun.* Bank checks have reached their place in the numismatic sun as predicted. The auction sale catalogue of M. Joe Murphy of Phoenix, Ariz., for April 18, has this item:—No. 836. 1854 Bank Check on Tanners' Bank, Catskill, for \$185.19, signed by J. Tiero, Jr., of February 10. Three fine endorsements on reverse. Cancelled. Clean and extra fine.

*No Milk That Morning.* The custom of housewives leaving a milk bottle with change in it on the doorstep for the milk man is an old one. In an old shack an Oregon school boy found an old coin—1838 half-dime—in an old bottle. Presumably the milk man "failed to show up" one morning and the lady put the bottle aside and forgot about it. The boy that found the bottle and half-dime owes some one a bottle of milk.

*Collectors Endorse.* Letters keep pouring in condemning the method of mintage and distribution of commemorative coins and complimenting HOBBIES on its fight against the racket. These coins are gotten out supposedly to commemorate some epochal event in American history to be placed in the hands of the populace as a perpetual reminder of illustrious achievement but of late the cart has been hitched in front of the horse and the coins are issued for the sole purpose apparently for quick returns to promoting organizations and easy money to speculators. The only answer so far from the profiteers seems to be "the public go hang."

*Know Your Money.* "Above all things, study; whether for the sake of learning or for any other reason, study. Whatever the motive that im-

pels you at first, you will very soon love study for its own sake." Talmud.

Study your coins; there is more to them than mere money. Money has a background, even more interesting than its foreground. You have always thought of money as something to spend or something to save. You learned that from the black-board in front of you. Now delve into the black-board behind the black-board. Study and find out what was used for money before coins were used; why coins were adopted; when; what the insignias on the coins stand for; why some are rare and others plentiful; why coins 2000 years old are cheaper than coins a year old. These hints are just a starter. It would take a large sized tome to cover the subject. Know your coins and the only way to know them is to study them. There is something else about old coins besides their rarity.

*A Coin Club.* To paraphrase Dr. Spaeth's talk on libraries. A coin club without coins is not yet a coin club. A coin club is a home of coins and a place where a lover of coins is at home. A coin club is a workshop where old coins are tools. A coin club is the bridge across which major and minor collectors travel together. It is the basis for enduring friendships.

*Flying Trapeze.* A reader inquires "whence came the expression 'money grows on trees?'" Legendary lore says cons ago our ancestors, the chimpanzees, the original men of the flying trapeze who made the limbs of the cocoanut trees with little effort and the greatest of ease, three meals a day on nuts and fruits. For recreation they would come down off their perch, down to earth and take a walk. They enjoyed terra firma more than being up in the tree top and finally made it their permanent home sweet home. In their new environment they

had to hustle instead of reach for food. For mutual protection they ganged up. They soon needed a medium of exchange for making exchange in wives, tools and weapons. For money they naturally selected the most precious of the earth's product, food. Their food was nuts and fruit; the fruit—or money—grew on trees. Thus originated the literal, at that time, expression, "Money grows on trees."

*Add.* And to this eonic legend might be added the genesis of "Mister, won't you loan me a dime?" A borrowing neighbor would say "Yes, I have no bananas, won't you loan me some."

Even at that early day "they found it useless to invent a system how they could earn their bread without sweating the brow."

*When All Our Skies Were Blue.* Adown the lanes of memory bloom all the flowers of yesteryear, and looking back we smile to see life's bright red roses reappear, the little sprigs of mignonette that smile upon us as we passed, the pansy and the violet, too sweet, we thought those days, to last. For we can settle back at night and live again the joys we knew and taste once more the old delight of days when our skies were blue.

—Edgar A. Guest.

And adown the lane of memory nature has kindly provided that only the happy events along life's pathway appear in our retrospections, the red roses, sprigs of mignonette, the pansies and violets. When the time-worn coin collector settles back at night and lives again the joys of his hobby it is not always of the high-priced bought rarities that he thinks of, coins bought after maturity. The coins of pleasant memory are those of his tyro days, the half dollar with rays, the twenty cent piece, the half dimes, silver three cent piece, centless nickel. These are the coins he started with, coins that he "found" and each "find" a thrill.

*Mrs. Lindbergh's Comments.* When Anne Lindbergh wrote the paragraph on page seventy-four of her book North to the Orient, perhaps she did not realize the tie-up it had with the



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meaning of money. This one paragraph really gives a first hand account of the birth of money. Baker Lake in Northern Canada is a trading post. The Eskimo fur trappers dispose of their furs at the post, exchanging them for the White man's utensils. Furs represent the Eskimo's standard of values, but they are unwieldy when used as "cash coins," not fitted for purse or pocket. A substitute, or "coin" was substituted by the post, thus giving birth to Eskimo money. To quote Mrs. Lindbergh:—"Gradually from his primitive system of barter a new currency had evolved. On the front counter was a "cash box" full of wooden bars, which, by their use as such, had come to be called "skins." These wooden "skins" were much easier to handle than the fur ones, and undoubtedly an Eskimo could collect enough by trading furs to buy a stove, or probably a tent for summer."

**Bank Notes.** It is surprising that more interest is not taken in old bank notes. It is a broad field and open to much study. Not only is it a study of our financial system of the past, but a pictorial history of the customs of the old days. There is nothing finer in art than some of the steel engravings on those old notes. The one I am now looking at is from a bank in an agricultural district and carries a picture of a farmerette carrying a tri-pod milking stool and another lassie churning with the old fashioned churn. Speaking of the old churn brings to mind the old standard riddle "What is big at the bottom, little at the top, a thing in the middle goes flippity flop?" How many young ones of this generation could guess it?

**From a Reader.** "On account of the speculators' high prices on commemorative coins thirty-three collectors here have gone Roman, and I have bought the last one. Let the non-collecting speculators buy them all up, let them corner them; with the real collectors refusing to buy at inflated prices we will soon be able to pick them up for a song, like the Columbians. It is too expensive a fad to last."

**Blue Chips.** Speaking in poker parlance, the small mintaged coins are the "blue chips" in the numismatic game. The red and white chips stack up big in front of the player, but they do not aggregate much. It's the blue chips that count up at the cashing in.

**Clubs-Collectors.** The Madison Coin Club of Wisconsin is coming to the fore and is recognized as one of the "big sisters" of the Mid-west coin club fraternity. It has had a healthy growth, due to its excellent officership and live-wire membership.

The Northwest Coin Club of Minneapolis-St. Paul, with the Twin Cities large population to recruit from, is living up to predictions and expectations and "cutting quite a swath" in the numismatic field. It is "doing things and going places."

Ben H. Berkshire of Kansas City, probably Missouri's star coin collector, writes from Arizona where he is vacationing, that the Southwest is "going coin crazy" and everyone down there is "doing it now." That is, everybody is talking and collecting. A fertile field for a good coin club.

**Beginners.** You are a beginner. You have a "little collection"; possibly thirty coins; none of them rare—not even scarce. You handle them, fondle them, cuddle them. You know each piece personally; where you got it, how you obtained it, and from whom. The "little collection" is your start. You love it because of your "feel" for it. However, you are ambitious, you anticipate, you aspire for a major collection. As your collection grows the "finds," the "pick-ups," the "swaps" become few and far between. You begin buying; the more you buy the more you have to buy. There is a satisfaction in your bought coins but not the "feel."

Taking a stroll down memory lane it is your "little collection," not the major one, that will be found keeping company with mother's cuddle, the fishing brook, the swimming hole, the honey-moon home. Your pride goes out to your "big collection" but your "feel" is in your "little collection."

**Our Travelled Friends.** "If I had a million dollars I would travel, go places, see things, meet people." How many times have you heard that? Travel has been the lure of man from time immemorable. Money is a traveler, that is one reason why coin collecting is so popular. Antique furniture, canes, pipes, etc., have not as a rule seen much travel and are considered a part of your collection, a hobby; but money is a part of your life, a bosom friend. It has traveled, been places, seen things, met people, a Marco Polo, a Columbus, a Magellan. An antique chair has been sat in by a few, a cane has been carried by fewer and a pipe smoked by fewer still, but that ancient Greek coin, that piece of eight, that early dollar,—the mind is incapable of conjecturing its adventures. Even a Dumas could not weave a tale fantastic enough to do it partial justice. Baron Munchausen's impossible adventures would be dwarfed, Hans Anderson's fairy tales become amateurish, could the life story of even one of the Grand Old Fellows of the coinage world be written.





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# Recollections of an Old Collector



By THOMAS L. ELDER

## Prices of Colonial and Continental Notes

SOME good prices were realized for rare Colonial and Continental notes at the recent sale in New York of the W. J. Livingston collections, conducted by the Elder Corporation. A New Hampshire note sold for \$42, perhaps the largest record ever made for a note of that state. Good prices were realized for the rare notes of Connecticut, Georgia, North and South Carolina, and Virginia. A 1739 Franklin note, issued for the colony of Pennsylvania sold for about \$20. Seldom is one offered with such an early date. Franklin began printing these notes, it is stated, in 1729. La-

ter he went into partnership with D. Hall, and their names appear on many of the early notes of Pennsylvania and Delaware. The earliest Virginia note in the Livingston collection was dated 1771, but we know from history that Virginia notes of still earlier date circulated there in Colonial times. Among noted ink signatures found on notes in this celebrated sale were those of Peyton Randolph, John Mortim, Francis Hopkinson, John Hart and the Verplancks of New York.

## Sketch of Colonial and Continental Notes

Among the rarest of the Continental notes is the long narrow \$20 denomination dated May 10, 1775. This is a very peculiar note because of its size and shape, and it differs from all the others, being so long and so narrow, and having red, blue and yellow watermarks at the left of the obverse, while the remaining notes are all square and printed in black except the issue of January 14, 1779, which has a red border at the left and a red stamp on the device. This also is a rare note. The Yorktown issues are all extremely rare and the Baltimore issues also are rare. One reason for the rarity of this Yorktown issue is that it was withdrawn from circulation and redeemed within a few months after being issued on account of the discovery that British sympathizers had made a lot of counterfeits. The smaller sized notes of the Colonials are all hard to obtain in the best condition as those had a harder circulation than the larger notes. The fractional notes of Congress are hard to obtain in the best condition. I mean the types with designs like sun dials, and "Mind your business," with the linked chain on the reverse. We have in this series the odd denominations like the \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70, and \$80 notes, which, of course, do not appear in notes of the present era or in any country.

The committee, appointed by Congress, when the question of issuing paper money was first decided on, employed one Smithers, a gun engraver, who had come to Philadelphia from England two years before, to prepare the plates. Paul Revere engraved some of the later notes of Massachusetts. The ornamental portions were on type metal, while the body of the lettering was in common movable

type. It was necessary to have them prepared so as to be used on a common printing press, because of the large quantity that was required a certain number of citizens was authorized from time to time to sign these notes, the names of at least two people being necessary. Each signer was allowed one dollar and one third for each thousand bills signed and numbered by him. The descendants of some of these signers are known to the writer, among them a Hazlehurst and a Kenly, both of whose ancestors signed many Pennsylvania notes. Counterfeiting was constantly going on and encouraged by the British officials and military commanders, with a view to confounding the Revolutionary issues and smashing their finances to pieces. The Tory printers in New York, Hugh Gaine, openly advertised counterfeits at their printing houses, at so much a hundred. Sir Henry Clinton greatly encouraged the various gangs of counterfeiters who worked such mischief to the American issues. Smithers, the Englishman who had been employed by Congress to engrave many of the Continental issues, assisted Sir Henry, it is said, and when suspected fled to New York where he was protected; as the British occupied the city from the time Washington's army was defeated at Long Island until nearly the end of the war in 1783. Notes printed on blue colored paper and left unsigned were issued to prevent counterfeiting, and issued to the various bankers and money changers who handled much money. Most of the paper money issues of the Pennsylvania type were stopped after 1779, except a few dated 1781 to 1785, which are also very rare. Two or three varieties of these appeared in the above Livingston collection.

## Coin Sale Records in 1882

Ed. Frossard, Sr., was a prominent cataloguer of coins for auction in New York. The following prices seem to us low indeed in view of the rarity of the pieces offered. And one is led to ask what has become of all these rare things. Many of them have gone from one collection to another since 1882. The New Jersey Immunis Columbia, dated 1786, very fine, sold for only \$38. A poor and pierced 1794 dollar sold for \$23; a 1793 cent, Chain America, very fine but not strong, sold for \$16.75; while a Chain America, extremely fine, a beautiful piece sold for \$39. A very fine 1793 Liberty cap cent sold for \$72. Several 1799 cents brought \$27 apiece. An uncirculated 1809 sold for only \$9, a low price indeed inasmuch as one in the Mougey sale brought, if I recall correctly, over \$100 in this condition. An 1821 cent, barely circulated, handsome in color brought \$7.25. Let us look at the dollar rec-

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ords. A fine 1794, sold for \$100; 1838, only \$61; 1839, \$50; 1851, \$2.50; 1852, \$46; but an 1858, strange to say brought \$38.25, which is more than it usually brings today. Henry Chapman used to tell me about how proof 1858 silver dollars used to sell for fifty dollars apiece. There is no explanation of the slump, as it is very rare. A 1796 half dollar with fifteen stars, uncirculated, with original mint lustre, sold for \$275. Not so bad at that. The one with sixteen stars, very fine sold for \$69. A 1797 half dollar very fine brought \$64. A very good 1823 quarter sold for \$52; and a splendid proof of 1827 sold for \$128, a very low price. The rare half cents sure got it in the neck in those days and sold as follows: 1831, \$13.50; 1836, \$14; 1840, \$17.50; 1841, \$17.50; 1842, \$14; 1846, \$15; 1847, \$9.25; 1848, \$14; 1852, \$8.25. These were all "splendid proofs."

A Higley Copper "Value me as you please" of Connecticut, slightly pierced and part of the inscription obliterated brought, good, \$22. A set of Swedish Plate Money ½, 1, 2 and 4 daler pieces, doubtless much harder to get from Europe then, brought for all \$42. A half shekel of Simon Maccabaeus, B. C. 137, a very fine piece, sold for only \$20.

#### What the Chapmans Were Doing in 1882

S. H. & H. Chapman, then established at 2043 Tower Street, Philadelphia, were cataloguing for sale the celebrated Bushnell collection, one of the finest collections of American coins in the United States. This collection is said to have cost its owner over \$20,000, and was very rich in Colonial coins. The late Mr. Bushnell was an active competitor when the great Mickley Collection was sold 1867, containing the 1799 cent which Mr. Mickley got at the mint himself in the year it was issued. He bought at this Mickley sale the unique Lord Baltimore Penny, for which he paid \$370. At that day Scott & Company were holding coin sales, and also H. G. Sampson catalogued for Bangs & Company, who held many fine sales of coins in New York. W. Elliot Woodward of Massachusetts held a couple of lengthy sales each year, often bringing the coins to New York City. Some of his sales ran for five, six and seven days, and must have represented the accumulations he had made during the entire year. Younger collectors must never think that coin sales are a modern invention here. There were big sales being held all through the Civil War and even before it, 70 to 75 years ago.

## Coin Conversation



### Agrees



#### Illinois

Received my April issue of HOBBIES, and was very much pleased to read that some of the small fry, coin collectors, like myself, are getting enough courage to start protesting the way the different committees have been handling the issues of commemorative half-dollars.

I have been collecting commemorative half-dollars for a long while. To complete a set, now after all these years, I find my efforts are in vain, for I cannot pay the prices they are asking for the 1935 with 1934 insert Daniel Boone, S & D mints. Some are quoting these from \$95.00 to \$150.00 a pair. I have received such quotations and can back them up.

I agree with N. A. Cushman, and C. H. Williams in the April issue, that we are collecting commemorative coins and not dates. At no time, should a committee or committees, person or persons, be allowed to corner these coins. Nor should the government allow these different committees to get coins minted in three mints and run four issues in three years. All we need is one coin, one date, and one mint to commemorate a certain event.

I think that if enough people who collect commemorative coins would write to Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross, Director of the Mint, and protest the way these coins are being handled we might be able to get the mint to restrike all coins that were short minted, namely the Daniel Boone issue.

I would be the first person to sign my name to a petition to correct this matter, if we do not change this method our collections will have to remain incomplete.

"Let's go, you small collectors."

—R. E. Niemann



### Methods Suggested



#### Kentucky

I have just now read HOBBIES "Coin Conversation," and quite agree with N. A. Cushman of Massachusetts. I believe if all collectors pressed for legislation to limit commemoratives to not less than 100,000 it would drive away the idea of profits and speculation.

—Wm. F. Snider.



### Dealer's Viewpoint



#### Ft. Worth, Texas

On page eighty-six of April issue of HOBBIES under the heading "Coin

Conversation," there is considerable comment relative to commemorative coins.

Although being a dealer and an extensive one in all classes of coins, I have up until a few months ago, washed my hands entirely of the commemorative issues. But being in the business, I found it necessary to resume handling of them on a large scale. Also advocate the issue and sale of these coins and heartily agree with what is said by your various correspondents. One comment particularly needs commenting on; the explanation of the Rhode Island Com-

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mittee. They kept my money over three months and then returned it with the same explanation, all sold out in one day.

But, they did not explain how it happened that one man in Providence secured not less than twelve thousand (12,000), or better than 20 per cent of the entire issue, of the coins. I am also reliably informed that another party in the official capacity has about five thousand (5,000) of the coins on hand.

I know of quite a number of other commemoratives that would hardly stand the wash. But I am glad to see some concerted action in Washington to discontinue the issue, or discontinue the method of issue, of the commemoratives.

—B. Max Mehl.

### *Pennsylvania Protest*

#### *Pennsylvania*

I notice in the April issue of HOBBIES two letters by coin collectors on commemorative half dollars. I heartily agree, in regard to different issues of commemorative half dollars. The coins are issued to commemorate an important event of some kind and therefore should be minted in such quantities that every one has a chance. I, myself have given up the idea of getting a collection together of one from each mint, also the ones with crosses, no crosses, stars and no stars. I am going to confine myself to Philadelphia mint coins only, or if they are only minted at one mint a specimen of that copy will be sufficient. Take the Daniel Boone 1935, small 1934 D and S mints, for instance, also the 1936 issues of these coins. A dealer in New York had these for sale and advertised them two weeks before the notice reached me. How come? What connection has this dealer that he can get them long before others?

Some of us send our money and write letters and wait and then the distributing committee says all gone. To my mind a collection of types of the different commemorative half dollars will be a collection to admire and possess, without the mint marks. Look at the new issues contemplated. If they mint them at different mints, there will be an additional 30 or 40 coins to get. How about the little fellow who can only invest from \$3 to \$5 every month or so? I suppose some of the big shots think a collector who can't spend more than that for coins should stay out. Some can afford even less. Well let me tell them that it is the fellow who spends from 50 cents up to \$5 at a time that helps keep the wheels going around.

I say give us commemorative half dollars, all from one mint, at a reasonable price, and then mint them in

lots of not less than 100,000. Answer this one: Why are Hudson half dollars selling from \$8 to \$10 each? "10,000 minted," and Arkansas 1935 S and D mints selling at \$3.50 each only "5500 minted" at each mint? It's a racket.

I sent a money order for a complete set of Rhode Island half dollars dated February 10, 1936. On March 5, I wrote asking why I did not receive my coins, no answer. On March 8, I read where they were sold out and I thought to myself "stung again." On March 25 I wrote again about my coins, again no answer or a refund. On April 9 I wrote still a third time about the Rhode Island half dollars and gave them ten days to either send the coins or a refund of my money. On April 13 they arrived, but what a set. The Philadelphia mint is a beautiful piece. The D and S mints, looked as though they had been in circulation about six months. Dull looking, dirty looking and not a nice mint luster like you see on new coins. This is one I can not understand. Will some one else comment on these mint marked Rhode Island halves. I suppose these two were passed out into circulation and they got them back to make up a set, because there were more Philadelphia mint half dollars than Denver and San Francisco mints. So from now on I collect only one of each from the mint at which they are made, if they are minted at all mints, one will be enough for me.

—William G. Albert.

### *Peace Medals*

Mrs. Lulu E. Wagner, of Moorhead, Minn., raises the question of the old Indian peace medals of which she has a good example. Her specimen bears the likeness of President Zachary Taylor who was in office at the time the medal was issued. On the reverse side a design of an Indian and a uniformed army officer clasping hands and the inscription, "Peace and Friendship," indicate the use for which the medal was issued. A hole near the edge of the medal indicates that it was probably worn by an Indian chief.

Indian peace medals, especially those of the older vintage, are particularly desired by collectors. The monetary value depends largely upon the circumstances surrounding the piece. In late years some of these medals have been exhumed along with other relics from the graves of Indian chiefs.

A President Madison medal of 1809 is reported to have sold for \$2,500 in a sale a few years ago.

Has any reader of HOBBIES noted one of these "Taylor" medals at auction or private sale recently, and if so what was the price obtained?

Collectors of medals may be interested in knowing that the government prints a very good little bulletin which is procurable from the Superintendent of Documents for five cents. The booklet gives a price list of medals that are procurable from the mint.

## Long Island Tercentenary Commemorative

LOUIS C. WILLS, Chairman and De Witt A. Forward, Treasurer, of the Long Island Tercentenary Committee, have made known the plans for distribution of the special commemorative Tercentenary half dollar, to be issued by the Government as a result of the Copeland-Delaney Bill passed by Congress and which has now become a law by the signature of President Roosevelt.

The coin, of which 100,000 will be issued by the Treasury Department, will be sold by subscription only with not more than five coins being allotted to a single individual. The National City Bank 181 Montague St., Brooklyn depository for the funds of the Tercentenary Committee, will also be the depository for the coin issue.

The Tercentenary coin is to be designed by Howard Kenneth Weinman of Forest Hills, Long Island, son of Adolph Alexander Weinman, noted sculptor who designed several of the United States coins now in general circulation.

The coins are to be sold by subscription, because of the fact that the making of the design and its approval by the Government will occupy several months the coins will not be physically available immediately. The coins are to be all issued from one mint.

As the population of Long Island is approximately 4,500,000 and many of the citizens of this area will, it is felt, wish to have a lasting memento of the historic event, the Committee anticipates the authorized issue will be promptly subscribed.

If the experience of collectors with other special coins may be taken as a criterion, it is further believed by the Committee, this Half Dollar will have an increasing value with the passage of time.

The coins, plus the cost of registered mail, will be sold for: one coin, \$1.18; two, \$2.20; three, \$3.21; four, \$4.22; five, \$5.23.

Subscriptions must be accompanied



by the price of the number of coins subscribed for. Subscription blanks have been printed and may be obtained at any Commercial bank, Trust Company or Savings Bank on Long Island and may also be obtained at the National City Bank, 181 Montague Street, Brooklyn.

The premium above the face value of these coins, other than that included for the actual cost of delivery by registered mail, will be used to defray the necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Committee in the celebration and in having the coins prepared, and the balance to mark in a suitable manner certain locations and buildings of historical interest on Long Island, or for some other appropriate expenditure.

### Coin Books at Auction

These two coin books were listed and sold at auction by the Chicago Book & Art Auctions recently:

No. 358. Numismatics. An Essay on Ancient Coins, Medals, and Gems. By R. Walsh. Third edition, enlarged. Engraved plates, London, 1830. \$4.

No. 359. Numismatics. Ancient Coins of Cities and Princes. With 24 engraved plates. London, 1846. Coins and Medals: Their Place in History and Art. By the Authors of the British Museum Official Catalogue. Edited by Stanley Lane Poole. London, 1885. Two volumes. \$6.50.

### New C.S.A. Publication

Confederate States of America Paper Money. P. H. Chase, 1000 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. Author and Publisher. Price, \$1.

Ever since the close of the War between the States in 1865, the paper money of the Confederate States of America has held the never-failing interest of many collectors and has great possibilities as a hobby.

Many collectors have not realized the breadth and variety of interest latent in this field, which has the rich historical background of a most critical period of our nation.

The collection of notes of the Confederate States of America, commonly referred to as "C.S.A.," can be started and continued in a modest way. Many of the types of notes are inexpensive and readily secured. As the beginner continues, he finds varieties with easily distinguished differences in plate, printing or engravers. Also, there are paper differences, including several interesting types of watermarks, which alone or with the above more obvious variations, beckon to the advancing collector. Plate letter-number and signature differences

form a more detailed branch of the subject.

Consequently, Confederate States of America paper money offers an interesting field for the collector, whether he desires to study these historical notes in a modest way, or to specialize in a most comprehensive manner. From the main types, approximating seventy in number, to the two-hundred-odd major varieties, or to the minor varieties totaling almost three thousand, there is a wide field from which the collector can select.

However, up to the present time the choice has been somewhat restricted because the listings of these notes either have been limited to types, or have included so many of the varieties as to make their use rather difficult for the less experienced collector. Also, the more complete listings have long been out of print and unavailable at a reasonable price.

Therefore, the publication of a new

"Basic Classification and Listing—Confederate States of America Paper Money," by P. H. Chase, is timely. This 32-page booklet is well classified so that not only it will be a handy reference for the advanced collector and the specialist, but the beginner can find the information which suits his needs. Each type of note has a number. Main varieties are indicated by letters following the type number. Sub-varieties, which may not interest the general collector, are described and provision is made for their listing according to a simple scheme.

Most convenient is a tabular summary which includes a brief description of each type and cross-indexes each item with the list numbers of Scott, Bradbeer and Allen. In Section 1, under each item, are included the corresponding Bradbeer numbers as an added convenience to collectors who are familiar with that listing. Section 2 is devoted to watermarks and papers.

## Coin Notes

Dr. A. M. Rackus, who has lived in Chicago for many years, has been appointed head of the National Museum of Lithuania. Dr. Rackus is widely known among collectors, particularly among numismatists for his fine discernment in this field and for the outstanding material he has collected.

Hubert W. Carcaba of St. Augustine, Fla., has just issued price list No. 4 comprising a listing of Coins, Notes, and Supplies.

Samuel M. Koeppel of Los Angeles, Calif., has recently appeared before local groups to speak on "The Romance of our American Money". Mr. Koeppel illustrates his talk with a

display from his collection, consisting of more than one hundred feet of beautifully mounted frames showing the reverse and obverse of all types of American coinage, also all types of Continental Colonial, and United States Currency. A feature of his exhibit also is a set of United States commemorative coins, with the story on each frame of the important historical events of America.

### DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1936

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars—regular .....	\$434,000.00	.....	\$350,000.00	\$ 784,000.00	1,568,000
Half dollars—commemorative:					
Arkansas Centennial ...	2,502.50	\$ 2,503.00	2,502.50	7,508.00	15,016
Daniel Boone .....	.....	2,503.00	2,502.50	5,005.50	10,011
Quarter dollars .....	85,000.00	155,000.00	108,900.00	348,900.00	1,395,600
Dimes .....	.....	.....	250,000.00	250,000.00	2,500,000
Total .....	\$521,502.50	\$160,006.00	\$713,905.00	\$1,395,413.50	5,488,627
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickel .....	\$295,800.00	\$ 20,000.00	.....	\$ 315,800.00	6,316,000
One-cent bronze .....	165,360.00	54,000.00	20,000.00	239,360.00	23,936,000
Total minor .....	\$461,160.00	\$ 74,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 555,160.00	30,252,000
Total domestic coinage	\$982,662.50	\$234,006.00	\$733,905.00	\$1,950,573.50	35,740,627

### COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS At Philadelphia Mint

Cuba—silver—900 fine—1 Peso .....	2,500,000 pieces
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### COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

All Dates and Issues

In sets or single pieces.

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A. Garland Adair, Chairman of the American Legion Texas Centennial Committee, Austin, Texas, announces that the 30,000 Texas Centennial Half Dollars bearing the dates 1936 have been placed on the market at \$4.50 a set. 10,000 have been secured from each of the silver mints. The entire issue of 30,000 bearing the date 1935 was sold out in three months time. According to Mr. Adair, quite a supply of the 1935 coins are yet available at \$1.15 each. All of the 1934 coins are from the Philadelphia Mint. Funds derived from the sale of these coins at a premium go into a fund for the construction of the American Legion sponsored Texas Memorial Museum on the campus of the University of Texas at Austin.

Three gold coins were issued in 1935. Austria issued a 100-schilling and 25-schilling, and France issued 100-franc piece.

H. I. Phillips in the Cincinnati Times-Star says: "What this country needs is a good five-cent nickel."

The senate passed six bills on March 28 authorizing issuance of commemorative 50-cent pieces in celebration of local historical events. The commemorative issues authorized by the senate were for the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Swedes

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## WANTED TO BUY

**CIRCULATED LINCOLN**, Indian Eagle and large copper cents wanted. Buying list, 5 cents.—Ambrose, 1364 E. 68th St., Cleveland, Ohio. ap12084

**CASH PAID** for Broken Bank notes, all states, especially Maine and New England States. — Deltrick, 322 Libby Ave., Richmond, Va. n12571

**WANTED**—Old U. S. coins, especially large cents, half-cents, commemorative half-dollars and gold. Will buy or trade. —Charles McLean, Oteen, N. C. jly3001

in Delaware, the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of Bridgeport, Conn.; the Cleveland Centennial celebration, the 100th anniversary of the statehood of Wisconsin, the 250th anniversary of New Rochelle, N. Y., and the 300th anniversary of Long Island, N. Y.

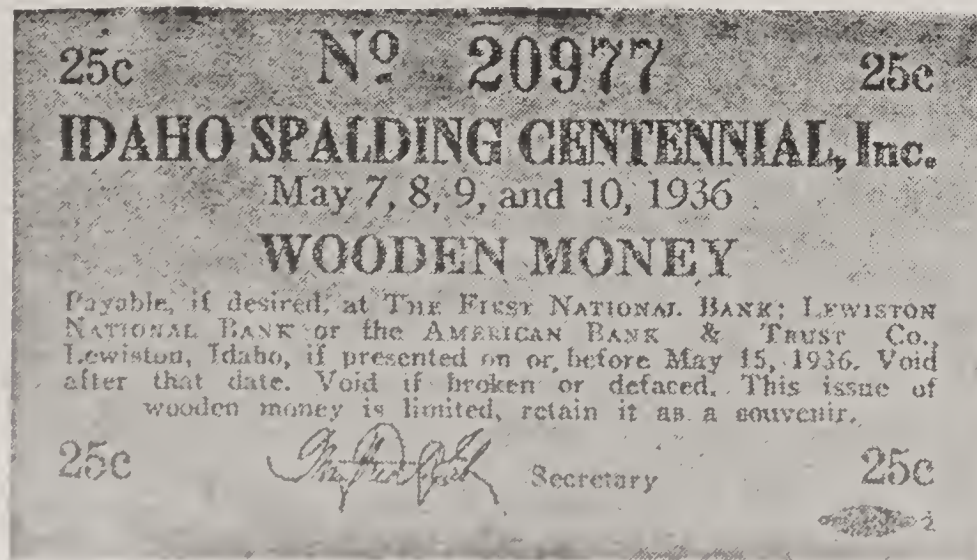
In each case the bill authorized the issuance of the coin to one official.

## More Wooden Money

**THIS** is a facsimile of the "wooden two-bit" pieces being circulated by the Idaho Spalding Centennial association as souvenirs of the celebration to be held at Lewiston, Idaho, on May 7, 8, 9, and 10. The "coins" are in 25-cent denominations only, and may be redeemed at any bank in Lewiston

before May 15.

The reverse side of the coin shows a drawing of the Spalding cabin, first home in Idaho, erected a century ago at the Lapwai Mission by Rev. Henry and Eliza Spalding, in whose honor the centennial celebration is being held.



**ONE SET** of 1934-35 Kentucky S and D mints, Grant with star. State price.—Clyde Fox, Charlerol, Pa. au6521

**WANTED FOR CASH** — Michigan paper money. — Harold L. Bowen, 818 Lawrence Ave., Detroit, Mich. au12861

**UNCIRCULATED** United States coins wanted by private collector. State price.—Dr. Frank Chase, 416 West 8th St., Los Angeles, Calif. d12042

**COINS WANTED**—Any kind, any condition, any quantity.—Henry Lacks, 1936 Franklin, St. Louis, Mo. au6001

**LINCOLN HEAD PENNIES** with mint marks. Must be uncirculated, red. Also want commemorative half dollars in quantity. State quantity and price. Will also buy a limited number of circulated Lincoln head cents with mint marks before 1925 if in fine condition at \$1.75 per hundred, plus postage.—Grant and Lyon, 109 Empire St., Providence, R. I. my12276

**WANTED**—Society of the Cincinnati, medals, Eagle decorations. — E. Decker, 29 Union Ave., Lynbrook, N. Y. ap12081

**WANTED TO BUY** — Commemorative Half Dollars; Large Cents; 2c and 3c Pieces; Fractional Currency; Broken Bank Bills; C.S.A. Notes, etc. Circulated or uncirculated. Highest prevailing cash prices paid. Can use wholesale job lots.—Tatham Coin Co., Springfield 10, Mass. ja12864

**WANTED BOONE** half dollars, 1935, small 1934 D and S mints, uncirculated. State cash price.—L. L. Clough, Slingerlands, N. Y., A.N.A. 4970. je3001

**U. S. STORE CARDS WANTED.** — P. E. Wickes, 164 Babcock St., Hartford, Conn. jly429

**PENNIES**—Will buy, or trade pennies you want, for Indians before 1887, early and all scarcer Lincolns. Dates, condition?—Vanhuysen, Box One, Battle Creek, Michigan. jly3001

**COMMEMORATIVE HALF-DOLLARS** wanted, also large cents. Make best offer in first letter, stating condition of coins.—Edward W. Cockey, 228 Hopkins Road, Baltimore, Maryland. ap12882

**WANTED** — Gold coins, any date, any country, very fine or uncirculated. Mail list and prices. No offers.—Cooperider, 424 Massachusetts Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. jly329

**I WILL PAY CASH** for a limited number of the following half dollars in strictly uncirculated condition. Maine, \$2.00; Pilgrim, 1921, \$2.00; Huguenot, \$1.75; Grant, plain, \$1.60; Bennington, \$1.55; Monroe, \$1.40; California, 1925, \$1.60; Oregon, 1926, \$1.35. What have you? Write.—J. C. Stephens, 1702 S. Main, Elkhart, Indiana. jly3691

**ANY UNITED STATES** coins struck off-center. Duplicate freak coins and other scarce U. S. coins for sale.—W. E. Hamlin, 249 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y. au37

**WANTED**—Coins and Christmas Seals. High prices paid for 1/2c, large cents, Indian heads, pattern cents, 2c, 3c and 5c pieces, Commemorative coins. Up to \$5.00 each for Christmas Seals. Buying list, ten cents. — Albert Deishl, Otis Orchards, Wash. my3661

**GOLD COINS** wanted for my collection. Give full details and price asked.—Karl Stecher, 312 Armory Place, Louisville, Ky. d12462

**KENTUCKIANA WANTED** — Obsolete bank bills, old lottery tickets, books, pamphlets, checks with signatures of prominent men, scrip, or anything pertaining to early money, banks and banking in Kentucky.—Conley Webster, 136 East Maxwell Street, Lexington, Kentucky. my3441



**WANTED**—Florida Broken Bank Bills. —A. Walbek, 2425 Lincoln Ave., Coconut Grove, Fla. jly325

**GRANT WITH STAR** Commemorative fifty cent piece. Give price and condition.—David C. Griggs, 175 Pine Street, Waterbury, Conn. je367

**WANTED TO EXCHANGE** Alabama uncirculated halves, plain, for one each 1935-34 (combined date) S and D Boone; also one each 1936 S and D Boone. State proposition.—Chas. R. Swingle, Box 871, Huntsville, Ala. my186

**COMMEMORATIVE COINS, U. S. and Foreign collections wanted.** —T. Albert, H-1264 Montrose, Chicago, Ill. ja12021

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**WOODEN MONEY** — Ligonier Centennial Committee issued wooden money in Nickel, Dime and Quarter denominations 40 cents per set, postage paid.—Kimmell, Ligonier, Ind. ja3672

**COMMEMORATIVE HALF-DOLLARS** for sale—1918 Lincoln, \$1.30; 1928 Oregon, \$3.25; 1934 Maryland, \$1.60; 1935 Dan Diego, \$1.50; 1935-"34" Daniel Boone, \$2.25. All postpaid.—Edward W. Cockey, 228 Hopkins Road, Baltimore, Maryland. ap12447

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**TAX TOKENS**—Formerly used by various Illinois towns. All metal; interesting. Special, 4 different towns, 25c.—Davison Reese, Box 244, Denver, Colo. o63

**WOODEN MONEY** — Blue Island, Ill. Wooden nickel, dime, quarter denominations, 40c set.—Albert, H-1264 Montrose, Chicago, Ill. je3291

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**INDIAN HEAD** pennies. 30 for 90c. (20 different dates.)—E. A. Wolfe, North Platte, Nebr. my105

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**U. S. COINS**—12 large U. S. cents, different dates, \$1.00; special combination, 1 half cent, 1 large cent, 1 two cent, 1 three cent, 1 half dime and one small cent dated before 1864, all for One Dollar, postpaid; Lexington Concord, uncirculated, \$1.60; Pilgrim, 1920, uncirculated, \$1.60. Want list solicited.—R. G. Longfellow, Allston, Mass. my3276

**UNITED STATES** and Foreign coins for sale. Lists free.—Joseph Coffin, 1182 Broadway, New York City. je3981

**COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS**, uncirculated. 1918 Lincoln, \$1.25; 1926 Sesqui, \$1.65. Indian head cents, 10 different dates, fine, 50c.—Norman Sprecher, Mount Joy, Pa. je3672

**SMALL UNITED STATES CENTS.** Dime brings you price list.—G. A. MacLennan, Rock Falls, Illinois. s6252

**AUCTION SALE**—May 23, 1936. Commemorative half dollars, uncirculated, 2 1918 Illinois Lincoln; 2 1926 Sesquicentennial; U. S. fractional currency, new, fifth issue; 2 25c Walker; 2 50c Crawford. Please mail bids early.—Norman Sprecher, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania. my1091

**TAX TOKENS**—Kentucky private provisional tokens. Now obsolete. Set 2 varieties, 10c.—Davison Reese, Box 244, Denver, Colo. o63p

## MEDALS

**PRESIDENTIAL PEACE MEDALS** bought and sold. Silver, bronze and pewter. — George Studley, 115 Maryland St., Rochester, N. Y. f12804

**REGULATION WAR MEDALS** bought and sold. I have the most complete and interesting illustrated book on this subject, 150 items pictured and explained. Collectors and dealers will find this reference book very useful. 10c in coin or stamps.—George Studley, 115 Maryland St., Rochester, N. Y. f120411



## The Origin and Decline of the State Bank Note Issues



By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

THE origin of the State bank notes takes us back to the issues of the Bank of North America which, after the collapse of the continental currency, was chartered by Congress and began business on January 7, 1782. Shortly afterwards it was chartered by the State of Pennsylvania and thus became a State bank. From the time of the granting of the charter to the latter institution to the time of the enactment of the Act of March 3, 1865, thousands of State banks rose and fell. Throughout this period of State banking there are five events that stand out as having a decided effect on the note-issuing banks, particularly those whose notes were of doubtful reliability. These events are the creation of the Bank of the United States, the coinage laws of 1834, the Specie Circular of 1836, the Civil War, and the Act of March 3, 1865. The latter dealt the death blow to the State bank note issues.

It was chiefly through the efforts of Alexander Hamilton that the Bank of the United States was chartered by Congress for a twenty-year period on February 25, 1791. By reason of its capital and branches, it was able to wield the whip over the other banks and tended to dominate them by refusing to accept the notes of banks which in its estimation were not sound. After the charter expired and the War of 1812 disrupted the currency, Congress tried to improve matters by granting a charter to the second Bank of the United States on April 3, 1816. This bank began to dominate many of the State banks again and tended to regulate their note issues.

In fact, it aroused the antagonism of some banks to such extent that some of the State legislatures were induced to attack the United States Bank by putting a tax on the notes issued by its branches within their borders. James W. McCulloch, cashier of the Maryland branch, refused to pay the tax levied by the State, and the case went to the Supreme court. The decision which was handed down in 1819 affirmed the right of Congress to incorporate a bank and to establish branches in the States. Furthermore, the States were denied the right to levy any tax on the bank other than the regular property tax.

Unfortunately for the bank, President Jackson became very much opposed to it, principally because of the political power it might wield; and in July, 1832, he vetoed the bill for the

recharter of the bank. The veto and the removal of the government deposits from the bank served as a stimulus to the growth of hundreds of State banks.

To counteract the flood of State bank notes, Jackson urged the adoption of a metallic currency. In accordance with his plan, the coinage laws were revised in 1834, and the value of the gold dollar was increased by about five cents. This increase made it profitable to melt old gold coins and accounts in part for the scarcity of gold coins issued prior to 1834. Not only were gold coins of prior issues recoined, but large amounts of gold were shipped to the mints from domestic mines, England, Mexico, and South America. The Director announced that the new coins would be distinguished from the former coins by the absence of the cap on liberty and the omission of the words "E pluribus unum".

The following figures show the increase in the gold coinage after 1833:

	Half eagles	Quarter eagles
1832	\$ 787,434	\$ 11,000
1833	968,150	10,400
1834	3,660,845	293,425
1835	1,857,670	328,505
1836	2,765,735	1,369,965
1837	1,035,605	112,700
1838	1,600,420	137,345
	Eagles	\$72,000

They tried to advertise the coins by calling them "Jackson yellow boys," "Benton's mint drops," etc. Even the tokens of the Jacksonian era bear inscriptions referring to the gold coins as "Benton's Mint Drops," "Bentonian Currency," and the like.<sup>1</sup> Thomas Benton is so frequently mentioned in connection with the gold coins because he was one of Jackson's staunchest supporters. The Whigs who were opposed to Jackson went so far as to adopt a gilt campaign button portraying a liberty cap and bearing the words "E pluribus unum" as a token of protest against the omission of those items from the new coins.

The gold coins had little effect on the paper money issues, but Jackson's Specie Circular gave them a serious jolt. Prior to the issue of the Specie Circular, most purchasers of public lands had been paying for them with bank note which in many instances were unreliable; that is, they were so-called "wildcat bank notes" of which the issues of the Bank of West

Florida, Appalachicola, Florida, are a good example. Consequently the Treasury was accumulating a great amount of depreciating currency. To put a stop to this, Jackson issued the Specie Circular which required the officers of the Treasury to accept only gold, silver, or reliable bank notes based on specie in payment for sales of public lands. As a result, the purchasers had to take the notes to the banks to redeem them for gold and silver before they could pay for the land. Naturally, those banks that had issued too great an amount of paper money than their gold or silver reserve could stand, soon had no hard money (specie) with which to redeem their notes. Of course, such banks went broke and their outstanding notes became worthless and were stigmatized as "broken-bank notes". There were some six hundred banks that went down in failure as result of the Specie Circular and the Panic of 1837. Incidentally, not all bank notes in the possession of collectors are broken-bank notes. Many State bank notes are in existence today whose banks liquidated their affairs and paid off the notes that were presented.

After the return of prosperity, State banks began to increase in numbers again, and by 1861 there were about nine hundred State banks issuing notes without sufficient specie reserve. The next event that had a disastrous effect upon them was the Civil War. In the South the Confederate government had seized the money in the mints and obtained half the specie in the banks by a loan. As the years of the war wore on, the specie of the banks dwindled and they were forced to close.

As for the North, the government had difficulty in selling its bonds and was forced to adopt the national bank system as a means of selling them. According to the provisions of the National Bank Act, the group forming a banking association must purchase United States bonds equivalent to about one-third of their paid up capital. In return the Comptroller of the Currency would give them national bank notes equal to 90 per cent of the market value of the bonds. Thus they secured interest on the bonds and also on the notes which they loaned. And in order to remove the State bank notes from circulation, a death blow was dealt them by the Act of March 3, 1865, which imposed a tax of ten per cent on the notes of the State banks and thus drove them out of circulation.

<sup>1</sup>See John A. Muscalus "Dictionary of the Political and Satirical Allusions on the Tokens of the Jacksonian Era". HOBBIES (August, 1935), pp. 82-84.











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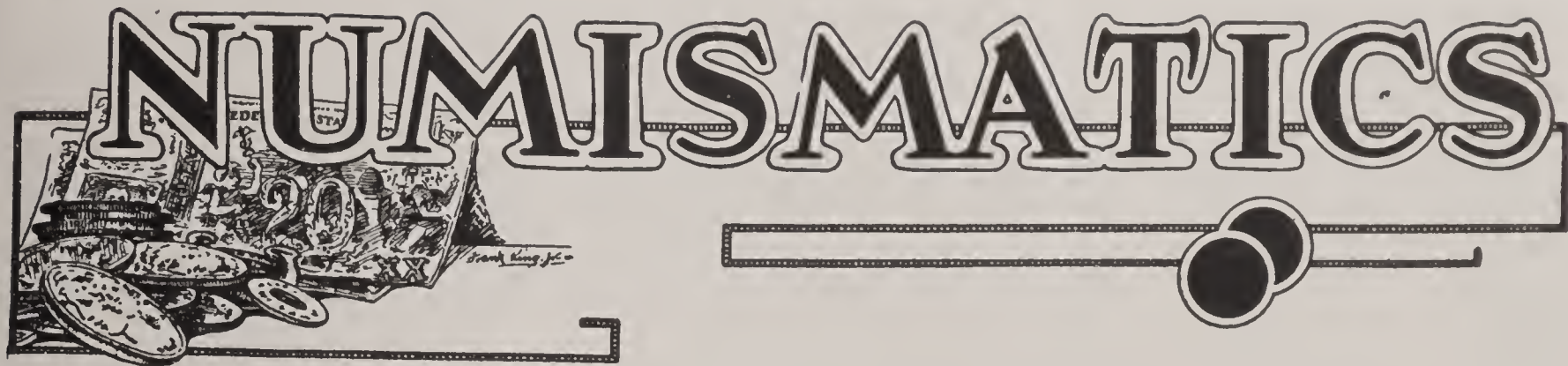












## NUMISMATIC THOUGHTS

By  
FRANK C. ROSS

The world will turn when we are earth  
As if we had not come nor gone;  
There was no lack before our birth,  
When we are gone there will be none.  
—OMAR.

The Persian tent maker must have been referring to egotism. An egotist believes he is the axis of the "round and round" movement of the earth. The world did its spinning long before, and will continue doing its "rounding" long after all the egotists are again earth. When the present generation gets the idea the race is headed for doomsday on account of the present depression, it should be reminded that the cave tenants of 500,000 years ago survived more catastrophic difficulties than are now being experienced. Irvin Cobb describes an egotist when he speaks of a Bostonian that boasts of both Plymouth Rock ancestry and a diploma from Harvard—"It was as though you met an egg which had been laid twice and both times successfully." The numismatic people, that is the coin family, also are afflicted at the present time with egotists. The commemorative coins, for the moment, have the center of the stage, are in the spotlight, and believe themselves to be the Alpha and Omega of numismatics, that without them coin collecting would go "bluey" and coin collectors would be forced to seek other hobbies. Money was used long before there was any outstanding event to commemorate; people collected old coins long before commemorative coins were even dreamed of. Commemorative coins are merely an incident in the span of numismatics.

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In the larger cities a coin club with forty members (smaller towns twenty-five) is self-sustaining, self-perpetuating. Until a Club reaches that coveted number the going is hard, an uphill job, and every member has to push, not ride. No room for a back-seat driver. But when the club goes over the top, into the forties, the old family car just coasts along of its own momentum. Of course the offi-

cers and members must see that the tank is kept full of gas and the engine well greased and on the look out for new passengers, for the more you pile into the Coin Club Car the better it runs.

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It is told of Job of biblical fame that he offered help to a poverty stricken young widow with small children but she was too proud to accept it. Determined to help her he had it noised about that she was a distant relative of his and upon his death would inherit a part of his great fortune. It worked. In no time she was married to a rich man who sensed a fortune at the end of the trail.

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The custom of placing the letter "L" on the Indian head cent was adopted late in 1864 and naturally the cents of 1864 with "L" are scarce. If you have an 1864 Indian head cent look for the "L" on the ribbon, and if you find it, lay the coin to one side for future enhancement.

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Don't let some little difficulty in mastering some phase of the game faze you. Stick to it. Others have mastered it and you can certainly do what has been done. The greater the obstacles overcome the greater the satisfaction at mastery. Don't be a faint-heart, be a strong-doer.

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A Connecticut Miss writes:—"I would appreciate very much if you would give an idea how to mount a small collection of coins, not for exhibition, but for personal satisfaction in order to keep the coins in good shape and to keep them from rubbing against each other as they do now in the box in which I keep them."

This collection consists of about 100 old coins and was left to the young lady by her uncle. She is showing the true numismatic instinct and the

proper appreciation of her uncle's thoughtfulness by wanting to prevent friction.

I have never been able, and an inquiry discloses that none of our Kansas City club members have been able to contrive a satisfactory home made mounting board for coins. The coins just won't "stay put." Have experimented with wooden boards and with paper card boards, but without the use of glue the coins persist in "coming loose," and of course glue is out of the question as it would damage the coins. There is nothing can beat the prevalent practice, be the collection large or small, of placing the coins in envelopes, one coin to an envelope. This protects the coin from tarnishing and prevents friction. Label the envelopes as to date, mint and condition; date of purchase, price, and from whom.

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Display your coins. The Kansas City coin club took space in the stamp exhibit held during a week in April, and although the coin exhibit had a small space it attracted lots of attention. It introduced the club to the city's coin collectors and new members were secured. Put your coins on display. How can you expect collectors to know of your club and become members if you shun the spotlight?

At the exhibit, Sidney C. Walker's collection of Japan money was the wonderment of the crowds. Japanese coins of all shapes; gold, silver and copper; old and new. Two of the pieces were square, about 2 x 2 inches, each with small oblong darkened indentures, giving the coins the appearance of door locks with key holes. If you have not seen a Japanese collection you have missed a numismatic treat.

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At a recent coin meeting a Haiti coin was exhibited and while the name, Haiti, was familiar to all, only a few of those present could place it geographically or historically. In forming a geographical collection of coins the collector has to check up on the various countries, and the more obscure the country, the more intense the search. This makes for a permanent knowledge of the countries.



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After a twenty year pause Uncle Sam has resumed turning out "dandy" coins — proofs — for the aesthetic collectors who like their coins dandyfied. A proof coin reminds one of an otherwise all right man togged out in a white duck suit and white silk shirt with white cap, tie, belt, hosiery and shoes to match, "all dressed up and ready to go" but "dassent" for fear of spotting his immaculateness. A "dandy" is showable and parade-able but not servicable and utilizeable. The man in blue overalls, not white flannels, is the axis of the revolving work-a-day world. Proof coins for Sunday display, but ordinary coins for the working day.

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The newly formed Waterloo, Iowa, coin club has chosen the name, Corn Belt Coin Club, and already has a roster of seventeen senior collectors. In the center of the Iowa corn belt, the name is very appropriate and has a meaning all its own. Best wishes to the boys up there "where the tall corn grows," with the hope that the Club will grow as fast as the corn.

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There are two types of 1921 Missouri commemorative half dollar — with star and without star. It has been reported that some ingenious person has placed a star on the no star coin and is selling them as "with star." An experienced collector, of course, would not be fooled as he always uses a lens on bought coins but the inexperienced take them "as is."

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## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS B. ELDER

### Low as Recalled

WHEN I think, as I sometimes do even now, of Lyman H. Low, there comes to my mind the picture of a ruddy-faced, bald-headed old gentleman, with snow-white goatee, with an unusual air of dignity and ceremony about him. Always neat and well dressed, his shoes well polished, one cannot recall Mr. Low as a man of careless or slipshod habits of life.

Even his dog, Major, of whom he and his wife, were very fond, was a white French poodle, kept immaculately trimmed and garbed. I say garbed for he wore the latest things in collar and harness. At that time Mr. Low, our respected dean of American coin cataloguers, lived in a cute little house, a detached house, a bit above 125th Street, in Harlem, in a section then populated by people of very good taste and position, but now, alas, somewhat down at the heels, due to the changes time brings. That was



over twenty-five years ago. Poor dog Major died, and I am informed was fittingly and ceremoniously buried in a sure enough casket, with the remark by Mr. Low, "Major was my last dog." He kept his promise as to dogs. A book, indeed several, could be written on the subject of Low. I am not starting at the beginning about Low. I am merely recalling certain incidents. Low was a sure-enough veteran of numismatics, of numismatic book-writing and editorial writing, in addition to being one of the leading sale-holders, and doing a small business at retail. Some thirty-five years ago Charlie Gies of Pittsburgh remarked to me about Low.—"He knows more than all the rest of them put together," referring to his coin knowledge. He wrote several important books and treatises on coins, compiled the Scott Gold and Silver and Scott Copper & Nickel books so familiar to collectors, numerous substitutes and copies of which have appeared since. He must have held three hundred or more coin sales. He worked slowly, methodically and neatly. His arrangement and lay-out of sales, so far as taking care of lots and enveloping the coins were concerned was marked by extreme neatness, although of course as he grew old and more feeble,—during the period when he held his occasional sales at the Park

Avenue Hotel, in its main area-way, one flight up,—he was less able to keep up with things, got his sales started very late and sold his lots at a snail's pace. Puzzled at times over a bid, he would politely say, "Just a moment, please," then he would laboriously thumb a wad of bid sheets to find one he wanted, and after some minutes delay would take a new start, with a remark something like this: "All right, Dan, fire away." Like some of the rest of us, he did not always have a bid on a lot, and pausing, Dan Kennedy the auctioneer, would start a ten cent lot at about "a dollar."

"Not quite so high Dan; a little too much speed for me. Start it at ten cents. Don't knock it down yet, Dan. Just a moment. I'll be with you in a minute. Let me see! Oh yes, let it go, Dan. I'm . . . out of soak."

Lyman Low was a great lover of cigars. He usually held a lighted cigar in his hand as he conducted his sales. He wrote a particularly cramped and not very legible hand, with downstrokes pointing in several directions. He laid great emphasis on certain coins and lots. He was known to deliver quite a speech in describing a certain piece which he remembered in cataloguing, which often did not

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realize a price in keeping with such elaboration. No coin, according to Low, was too inconsequential, and he loved foreign copper coins, and knew a lot about them. Yet he often bunched them into large lots and sold them for several cents apiece or less. I remember well two lots of "Poor and holed" I got from him, while in Buffalo in 1901 (just 35 years ago by the way). Several hundred were so holed, worn smooth or else mere washers, and generally disappointing, that I wrote a protest. Usually such a protest drew a peppery rejoinder from Low, such as. "No man can offer me a greater affront than by protesting a lot, or by returning a lot from my sales." Though collectors in those days had more cause to return lots than today, when most catalogs plainly state that "lots may not be returned without permission of the cataloguers," or "by agreement with them." Charles Steigerwalt was more succinct when he printed—"If you do not mean to comply with the printed sale terms, don't bid." Plain enough. Mr. Low had an office in 1904 at Fourth Avenue and 22nd Street, in the United Charities Building. After that he moved up towards Fifth Avenue on East 23rd Street. The next thing we learned was that he had left the city for good and gone to New Rochelle, where he had rented a private house which he used as an office, and for a time as a sales room, inviting collectors to go from New York to his sales. He printed an elaborate description of how he might be reached, gave time tables and had a cold bottle on hand at his sales there also to encourage livelier bidding. Low was very sensitive and competition irked him. Just prior to my coming to New York from Pittsburgh, I had applied for membership in the American Numismatic Society, having been seconded by Henry Russell Drowne and Hiram E. Deats, the stamp authority. This reached Low's ears and he had the effrontery to send me a telegram reading as follows. "Do not allow your application to the Society to go through. Later on, if you desire it, I might assist you in joining." Gratuitous indeed! Of course I was elected. That was about 1904, if I recall, so I am among the veteran members of the Society today, if I may be permitted to say it, also one of the oldest members of the A.N.A. Mr. Low once had a brother living in Rhode Island who was a member of Congress. Low had come of good old stock, and had a brave and fine Civil War record. He had carried a wounded comrade several miles on his back, an act of bravery meriting the Congressional Medal of Honor. As Mrs. Low died some years prior to his death, I am unable to say if he has a relative living who was nearer than a cousin. With most of

the numismatists Low was popular. He was a seasoned numismatist.

Formerly one of the editors of the American Journal of Numismatics, Low was a careful, painstaking and able writer on numismatic topics. As Mr. Low passed on some dozen years ago few of the new collectors would remember him. He was active in coins and worked hard at his catalogs until his death, having received some fine collections for sale the very year he died, one of which I think Fred Boyd conducted after his death, to help out his estate. Low was in respects peculiar, but a very interesting character and I would say quite an ornament to Numismatics. For years he declared he would not attend my sales, but he finally did and seemed to enjoy them also. I attended his for several years before I came to New York in 1904, in the days when H. C. Merry acted as his auctioneer. What a roster, the names of those who went to those sales. The Chapmans, Joe Levick, Podhaiski, Dawson, Joe Mitchelson, W. H. Woodin, H. P. Smith, H. C. Merry, Kennedy, Frossard and finally Low,—all of these dead and gone.

#### Numismatic Charity

The writer, during his recent visit in the South, was asked to play a unique role. A young official in a small country bank, had tried along with his relatives to assist an aunt, indigent, but proud. The aunt, although needy, had steadfastly refused to accept any assistance. So he hit on an idea. My front door bell rang one evening, and this young man appeared with his proposition, telling me of their difficulties in getting the aunt to accept help. But she had a small lot of coins of various sorts. He suggested that he induce his aunt to call on me, and that no difference how junky the coins, to offer her a cash price of \$20 for them, being the sum they wished to give to her as a present. That same evening the nephew, his wife, and the aunt called. The aunt had her box of coins. What were they? Well a couple of Columbian half dollars, an old Peruvian Peso with a hole in it, and a miscellaneous lot of junk, in all perhaps fifty pieces, chiefly copper coins of no value. After I had simulated a seri-

ous examination of the lot I said to her soberly, "Well, I have looked them over and the best price I could offer would be \$20." The three exchanged glances, and after a bit of encouragement from the two younger people she took the \$20, which the young man had previously slipped to me. As they went out the door I slipped the coins in the box back to the young man who had accompanied her. Next day he spoke to me and asked me if any of the coins were of value. I told him, No. He commented that after they had left the lady had said. "Perhaps we were too quick to accept Mr. Elder's offer. Had we held off a bit he might have offered more money for them!" As a fact any price over \$3.00 would have been too much for them. But it showed a fine spirit in the boy, and charity was served.



#### Central New York Numismatic Meeting



Plans are being laid for a meeting of all collectors in Central New York and vicinity to be held sometime in October probably on the week-end of the 10th at Rochester, N. Y. Arrangements are in the hands of Joseph B. Harzinski, President of the Rochester Club and Charles W. Foster, Secretary of that organization and Secretary pro tem of the Central New York Numismatic Association. There will be an exhibit and an auction as well as other interesting numismatic entertainment. Final details will be announced later. All collectors are invited.



Heads and Tails of the New Deal good luck token. The "heads" show the likenesses of President Roosevelt and Vice-President Garner with the legend "Lucky Heads You Win Coins, 1936 Roosevelt-Garner." The other side of the "lucky coin" shows the G.O.P. elephant taking a walk over the hill under the legend "Tails You Lose." Naturally to get more votes is the reason for the token.



#### DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1936

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars—regular .....	.....	.....	\$293,200.00	\$ 293,200.00	586,400
Half dollars—Oregon Trail .....	.....	\$ 2,503.00	.....	2,503.00	5,006
Quarter dollars .....	\$ 481,000.00	70,000.00	.....	551,000.00	2,204,000
Dimes .....	170,000.00	.....	161,900.00	331,900.00	3,319,000
Total silver .....	\$ 651,000.00	\$ 72,503.00	\$455,100.00	\$1,178,603.00	6,114,406
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickel .....	\$ 239,400.00	\$ 35,000.00	.....	\$ 274,400.00	5,488,000
One-cent bronze .....	167,500.00	52,000.00	10,000.00	229,500.00	22,950,000
Total minor .....	\$ 406,900.00	\$ 87,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 503,900.00	28,438,000
Total domestic coinage .....	\$1,057,900.00	\$159,503.00	\$465,100.00	\$1,682,503.00	34,552,406



## Coin Conversation



### Not in Favor of Letters



#### Texas:

I am both interested and amused on reading the many letters on correcting the abuses on commemorative coins which have appeared in numismatic journals. The suggestion that everyone write to Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross, and possibly get the mint to re-strike some of the short issues would not accomplish anything except cause Mrs. Ross a lot of trouble. In fact, writing letters to anyone on this subject is like trying to sweep the tide back with a broom. The only thing a flood of letters would accomplish would be to harass the Treasury Department until they would ask the President to veto all bills.

I went to Washington as Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the A.N.A. Both the Committee on Banking and Currency in the Senate and the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures in the House gave us a hearing and listened very attentively to our complaints. We told them we wanted to aid them in correcting the abuses and thought we could show them the remedy. I asked them how these abuses could be stopped and was told only by legislation. The Director of the Mint cannot turn her hand without a bill from Congress, signed by the President and approved by the Treasury Department. She has, however, received so many complaints that she is doing everything possible to stop all of the issues. That is what letter writing has accomplished.

On being told that legislation was necessary, I had a bill drawn up as follows: "Be it Resolved that on and after December 31, 1936 all authorizations heretofore made by Acts of Congress for minting of commemorative coins shall terminate and that thereafter all future authorizations for the minting of commemorative coins shall terminate on December 31 of the year in which said authorizations are made," which Mr. Somers, Chairman of the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures, is putting through for me.

After a meeting with the subcommittee on coins in the Senate, on my recommendations, they are incorporating the following in all the commemorative coin bills: "In lieu of these provisions, the committee recommend that the issuance of the coins be limited to one mint to be selected by the Director of the Mint and that not less than 5,000 such coins be issued at any one time. The committee further recommends that the coins authorized shall have a single appropriate de-

sign, that they shall bear the date of the year in which they are authorized, and shall all be issued within one year from the date of enactment of the authorizing act." My bill in the house will terminate all existing bills on December 31, 1936.

These measures should suit all of the collectors and they should not harass the Department with their letters or it will tend to cause the abolishment of all commemoratives. Our committee did all that was possible at the present time. If we had asked for anything more it would have ruined everything.

Yours numismatically,  
L. W. Hoeffcker.



### Recommends Letters



#### California:

I have been following your articles on commemorative half dollar speculation with much interest.

A few weeks back I took it upon myself to write to the Senator and Representatives, of my state, to see just what could be done about the way the committees are distributing these different coins.

In my letter I gave information about mintage in all the different Oregon Trails, Daniel Boones, Texas and Arkansas, also information on the way they were distributed to individuals. I also stated I understood the Treasury Department couldn't control the coins after they had left that department.

I suggested that more coins could be struck, or else strike none if there couldn't be enough to go around. They could set a certain amount and strike off no less than that amount. I didn't receive any answer from the Representatives, but Senator McAdoo referred my letter to the Treasury Department. They totally ignored my letter except to say they could not control any coins after they left the Treasury Department.

The only way to fix this unfair condition is to keep hounding our Senators until they get tired of hearing about it and do something.

Keep up your fight. I think more and more collectors will fall in line and gradually we will get somewhere.

Another Coin Collector  
Donald P. Hunt.



### Where Medal Belongs

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Hatfield, Pennsylvania



## New Commemoratives

According to information received on May 15 from the Wisconsin Centennial Coin Committee, the design and cast are in the hands of the Fine Arts Commission in Washington. Mr. Parsons, a graduate student in the art department of the University of Wisconsin, made the design for the mold. It shows the territorial seal on one side and a badger with suitable inscription on the face. This issue is to be for 25,000 coins all from one mint. There will be just one type of one date; there will be no mint mark coins. The price is \$1.50 and postage. The committee plans to make distribution of the coins about June 15. All matters relating to the sale and distribution of this coin will be handled through the Department of Public Instruction, State Capitol, Madison, Wis.

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The commemorative half dollars for the fiftieth anniversary of Cincinnati as a musical center will be distributed by the Cincinnati Musical Center Commemorative Coin Association, United Bank Building, Cincinnati, Ohio, according to late information. No other details are available at this writing.

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According to De Witt A. Forward, treasurer of the Long Island Tercentenary Committee, orders for the new commemorative half dollars have been received from thirty-four states. The government will mint 100,000 and sales are to be limited to five to a person. These coins will sell for a dollar each, plus eighteen cents postage for one coin, twenty cents for two coins, and one cent for each additional.

Howard K. Weinman, of Forest Hills, has been selected to make the design for the coin. His father, Adolph, designed the ten and twenty-five cent coins now in use.

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This issue lists advertising copy relative to the distribution of the new Cleveland half dollar commemorative. It will be noted that Thomas G. Melish, 105 E. Third St., Cincinnati, Ohio, has charge of the distribution.

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Late news from the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., says that the Landing of the Swedes half dollar, will be released by the Delaware Swedish Tercentenary Commission, University of Delaware, Newark, Del.; the Bridgeport half dollar will be handled by the Bridgeport Centennial, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn.; the New Rochelle, N. Y., half dollar by the New Rochelle Commemorative Coin Committee, New Rochelle, N. Y.

## Money Talks

On May 4 the House passed a bill authorizing the coinage of special 50-cent pieces to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg.

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A press report says that Missouri sales tax tokens, issued a year ago in the form of pasteboard "milk bottle caps," are being reduced in size slightly.

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Frederick E. Merritt, former president of the American Numismatic Association, died recently of heart disease at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Merritt was 71 years old.

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When burglars broke into the offices of the Feldman Brothers Company of Linden, N. J., recently they carried away with them 30,000 Indian head pennies collected over a number of years by one of the members of the firm.



## Coin Men on Tour



The American & Canadian Tourists' Societies, Inc., report that the following coin men are going on long tours this summer, including M. H. Bolender of Orangeville, Ill., to Europe, Norway, Sweden, France, and Germany; Charles H. Fisher of Cleveland to Canada, Rocky Mountains, British Columbia, Seattle and Los Angeles; and Jno. A. Hooper Sr., and Mrs. Hooper of California to the Texas Centennial, San Diego Exposition, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Alaska, and other points west.



## Token Topics



An Okmulgee, Okla., hardware store customer was unfamiliar with Oklahoma's one mill sales tax tokens when they were first issued until this happened: "Have you a mill?" asked the clerk after a dime purchase. "O, I've an old one, but how much are they?" The clerk sold him a \$4.85 sausage mill.



Paraphrasing a remark of Robert G. Ingersoll, "That lead coin you have in your collection is like a jackass—neither has any pride of ancestry or hope of posterity."—F. C. R.



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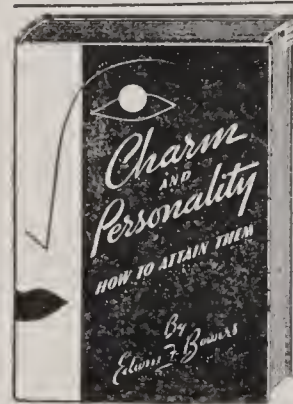
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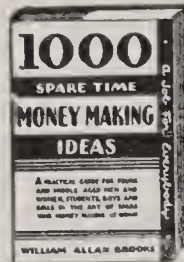
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## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

A READER asks "Are the statistical records of coins minted in certain years always reliable; if so, why in some instances are coins of a year showing a large mintage priced higher than coins of an issue showing a much smaller mintage?"

Statistics of early coins are more indicative than authentic, a sort of guiding line, as nearly correct as is possible with the poorly kept records of early mintage. The government records may show 50,000 dimes minted in 182-. These dimes should still be in the "scarce" class yet they are found in the "very rare". Why? The government records "50,000 dimes minted in 182-" does not necessarily mean there were 50,000 coins minted bearing the date 182-; they may have used the dies of the year before, a very frequent practice in our early coinage. Statistics might show the previous year as of small mintage, that is, a small number of dimes minted in that year, yet there would be a large number in existence on account of using that year's dies for next year's coinage. Another point. 50,000 dimes issued in 182-. No demand in the business world for more dimes. Only a few of the issue get into circulation. The bulk of the issue stored in the vaults of the treasury. Later on, with a surplus stock of dimes on hand, the government melts down these dimes and recoins them.

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"An Iowa gentleman bought himself a 2,600 penny suit; paid for it in pennies. Yet, there are those who would lead us to believe pennies are scarce. Don't let this idle talk deter you. If you wish to gather together a penny collection, have a dollar changed into one cent pieces and get a happy surprise with the many dates and various mint marks you find, and all in good condition. Repeat the operation five times and you will find yourself with a dandy start. The coffers are overloaded with them, so don't let yourself be kidded.

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Dixieland is going numismatic. The coin collectors of Shreveport, La., organized the Fugio Club in February, and it has already grown to man-size. Its roster includes enthusiastic coin collectors, and efficient officers.

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The Dallas Coin Club of Dallas, Tex., is a large club in a large State but it does not rest its claim to fame as being a club in a large State, but upon its own size, its activities, and results accomplished. The club is proud of its large State, and Texas is proud of its large coin club, 'tis said.

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New collectors who have been studying coin catalogs and auction lists have no doubt noticed that proof coins bring a much higher price than uncirculated coins. The government has resumed the practice of issuing proof coins. These coins may be bought direct from the government. If you wish a proof half-dollar, quarter, dime, nickel and cent send a post office order for \$1.89 to the director of the mint at Washington, D. C.

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Browning said "All the breath and the bloom of the year in the bag of of one bee; all the wonder and wealth of the mine in the heart of one gem; in the core of one pearl all the shade and the shine of the sea." In that old Grecian or Roman coin you see an active participant in ancient history, a reflection of ancient civilization. In a single coin you see all branches of industrialism. In one coin you feel the pulse beat of the commercial world.

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What a blessing 'twould be if club members who persist in reading long,

tiresome, boresome, statistical papers would follow Voltaire's advice once in awhile:—"It is necessary to aim at being interesting rather than exact; for the spectator forgives everything except dreariness."

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Due to extreme drouth in the gold fields of Australia water is being used as money. Theirs is not a case of having "money to burn", but money to drink.

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"To believe a venture impossible is the way to make it so." He who believes he can't build up a first class coin collection, can't. He who believes he can, can. Take the "t" away from c-a-n-'t; it doesn't belong there.

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"Venture upon nothing until you have well considered the end". Before venturing into coin collecting, consider well the end, a first class collection; the end is worth the venture and is worth striving for.

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Business may follow the flag but money leads it. Money motivates the world. It was money that led Marco Polo to the Orient, that steered Columbus to a new world, that sent Magellan around the world. Hannibal conquered the world for money, and money was the motive behind Caesar's legions. It was the love of gold that explored the America's, the gold fever that congested traffic on the Santa Fe trail in 1849. Money carried the flag, business followed.

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It was the quest for more money, for a richer life, a fuller life, a better end and a freer life that peopled the bread basket of the Midwest. Money makes up half of the plural "they" in Whittier's Kansas Emigrants: "THEY crossed the prairies as of old



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A peasant farmer in far away China failed to heed the injunction "Woodman spare that tree, cut not a single bough". Needing firewood and no wherewithal to buy it, he not only cut the branches but chopped down the whole tree. The million dollars in gold he found in the trunk of the tree was his reward for disobeying the injunction.

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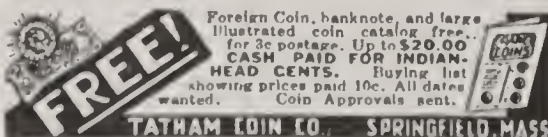
You collectors with your American coins, only a few denominations and few types, think you have a hard time keeping up. What do you think of the Italians and the Greeks who have to count back two thousand years? Just think of the changes during that time in the currencies. Most of the old world countries date back centuries and their coinage likewise. An authority on all foreign coins may not have a pocket full of money but he has a head full of numismatics.

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Mints not only make money but they write history. Every country's history is written on its coinage. Even astronomy is represented. Mr. Bridge of the Kent Numismatic Society (Eng.) at a Club meeting exhibited a penny of Augustus, 1,947 years old, and a penny of William II, 848 years old, both showing representations of Halley's comet.

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The first issue of Missouri sales tax tokens, called Milk-cap currency, had printing only on one side. The new tokens now being distributed are slightly smaller and have printing on both sides. The printing on the back tells the purpose for which the tokens are issued. But this is not the only reason for printing on both sides; wags were in the habit of writing jokes, and some people went so far as to write vulgar words on the blank side.



## Delaware Tercentenary Coin

The Delaware tercentenary coin will be issued in the Fall of 1936, the number being 25,000. The issue will be sold by the Delaware Swedish Tercentenary Commission for \$1.75 per coin, the sale of lots of 20 coins or less to be unrestricted. Sale of larger lots will be reserved until smaller purchasers have been accommodated. The agent for the Commission in the receipt or applications in the distribution of the coins will be the Equitable Trust Company, of Wilmington, Del.

During the coming summer the Delaware Swedish Tercentenary Commission will offer a prize or commission of \$500 for the best model for the coin. Anyone interested in the details of the competition should communicate with Dr. George H. Ryden, General Secretary, Delaware Swedish Tercentenary Commission, State House, Dover, Delaware. The competition will close on September 1. The models should be by that time in the hands of Dr. Ryden.

The Tercentenary coin will commemorate the Landing of Swedes on the site of Wilmington, Delaware, in the Spring of 1638 and the founding by them of the first permanent settlement by white men in the Delaware River Valley.

The ship these people arrived in was the "Key of Kalmar" and the landing place was "The Rocks" on the north shore of a river named by the Swedes the Christina River in honor of their sovereign, Queen Christina, daughter of Gustavus Adolphus. At the landing place the Swedes also built a fort, which they named Fort Christina. "The Rocks" at the landing place are still visible and are located at the foot of Fifth Street in Wilmington, Delaware. The "Key of Kalmar" and "The Rocks" have the same significance for the Delaware River Valley as the "Mayflower" and Plymouth Rock have for New England.

## Not Popular in Canada

According to a Canadian press dispatch the 50-cent piece is not a popular coin in that country.

Out of more than 12,500,000 coins struck last year not a single 50-cent piece was issued by the Mint. The demand was not sufficient to require additional pieces of that denomination.

The Mint issued a report showing 12,771,193 coins were struck during 1935, and of this number 12,740,720 were issued. The total value of the coinage was \$870,120.



## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

### Ancient British Coinages

ROMAN and Romano-British types of coins circulated in Great Britain prior to the Anglo-Saxon coins. The gold unit was the gold stater copied after the staters of Philip of Macedon, in Greece. In its transit across the Continent the coin changed greatly in type, and the effigies and markings as a rule, were crude, and at times grotesque, so grotesque that a modern caricaturist would have smiled at the efforts of those ancient coin engravers and mintmasters. It was about the second century before Christ that these crude coinages were introduced to England and Ireland. As most of the finds occur in the central and southern parts it would indicate there is where most of these coins were made. There were quarter gold staters, and later small silver coins of about the same size, called sceats, appeared, whose types followed those of the staters, after Greek types, with crude heads, horses, animals, dots, dashes and crude letters which at first also copied the Greek types. The workmanship during the latter half of the first century B. C., at times showed an improved style of

workmanship. Soon on these coins began to appear the names of some of the early British chiefs, known in history, such as Commius, King of the Atrebates, in England at the time of Caesar's second invasion of Britain. Also his sons Tincommius Verica and Eppillus; also Cunobelinus, the Cymbeline of Shakespeare, whose mint was at Colchester; Cartimandua, Queen of the Brigantes, mentioned by Tacitus, and others. After the invasion of Britain by Claudius I. in A. D. 43, only Roman money circulated in Britain for some centuries. Only Roman bronze and silver money are found. At the end of the third century we find Carausius and Allectus striking coins at London and Colchester. Constantine Magnus continued the London mint; and the last Roman emperor to strike coins in Britain was Magnus Maximus in 388 A. D.

### Origin of the Penny

THE penny, or the *novus denarius*, was of Frankish origin, and was first struck by Pepin, the Short, about the year 755 A. D. It succeeded the sceat, a small silver coin, which circulated largely through France and

the British Isles. The penny was a larger and flatter coin, which at first weighed 17 grains, but soon rose to 22 grains, and remained there for quite a time. The Arab dirhem, which had circulated largely through Europe as well as the Orient, was a silver coin of about the same diameter as the penny, but somewhat

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heavier. This new, light silver penny quickly became popular all through Europe and drove the Roman silver and other contemporary types out of circulation in many quarters, and put to an end also certain gold coinages like the Merovingian, and then became the sole medium of exchange for some centuries. The early types consisted usually of a monogram on either or both sides; in the British Isles it had often the "moneyer's" name with a contraction of the letters spelling the place where struck. Later we find, obverse, the King's head; reverse, some form of cross or ornament, etc. The King's name usually occupied the outer circle of the obverse. The first Anglo-Saxon king to strike a penny was Offa, king of Mercia, whose coins are very rare and valuable. There was one in the Miller sale in 1920, held by the writer. However the first coins of Mercia were of the Sceat class, with types copied from the Greek, Roman and Byzantine. The sceats bore Roman or Runic characters, heads and animals, usually crude in workmanship, some actually grotesque in looks. Offa struck two types, one with his bust, the other without it. There is an interesting gold coin of Offa. It was, strange to say, found in Rome, and inscribed on one side, "Offa, Rex." It had evidently been made in England by an Arab workman, and may have been sent as a present to the Pope, in fulfillment of a promise to send him annually "365 gold mancuses" as an offering.

The coins Coenwolf, Offa's successor, contain the same moneyer's names as are found on the contemporary kings of Kent. He used the mint at Canterbury. Those also were of two types, one with a bust the other without one. The Saxons valued the penny at 240 pieces to the pound. This number would give 24 grains for each coin. Large sums were computed by pennies alone. Finds of these early pennies have been made in various parts of England. There are certain Anglo-Saxon pennies so rare as to be valued up to a thousand dollars apiece, and quite a few at over a hundred dollars. There are many collectors of the numerous types of pennies in England. In fact, there are many who collect nothing but these early English pennies. Those easiest to obtain are of the first Edwards and Henry III. The latter struck many of his at the Canterbury and London mints. A very good penny of either of the latter may be obtained for about 50 cents. Their dates range from 1216 to 1327, so either coin is over 600 years old.



Rare sheet of the Commercial & Agricultural Bank of Texas notes

## The Commercial & Agricultural Bank of Texas

By D. C. Wismer

THE portion of the country known as Texas was settled by the Spanish in 1715, under the name of New Philippines. A number of attempts were made to take the country from Spain. Moses Austin secured a grant of land from the Mexican Government in 1820 and began a settlement which increased to a great extent. An unsuccessful attempt was made in 1833 to form an Independent Mexican State. A provisional government was formed in 1835, when the Mexicans were driven out of Texas. Texas was an Independent Republic from 1836 to 1845. On October 3, 1836, the first Congress of The Republic of Texas met in Columbia. The chartering of Banks of issue was

prohibited by the first Constitution. On March 1, 1845, the President of the United States approved a joint Senate and House Resolution for the annexation of Texas. The State constitution was adopted and approved October 2, 1845.

The charter of THE COMMERCIAL & AGRICULTURAL BANK OF TEXAS was granted on April 30, 1835. Samuel M. Williams, by the Colonial Government of Coahuila and Texas, also confirmed by the authorities of the Republic of Texas. The affairs of this Banking Institution seems to have been managed by McKinney and Williams, private bankers of Galveston. Although the



Constitution of Texas prohibited the chartering of financial institutions, the Supreme Court of Texas decided that the charter was not annulled by the adoption of the State Constitution, which prohibited chartered banks.

The Bank finally went into operation on January 1, 1848, and immediately opened a Branch at Brownsville, also another branch at Columbia. A sheet of four notes, probably unique, is in the collection of the writer, composed of two \$3 notes A and B, and two \$5 notes A and B, of the Columbia branch. In addition there was recently found a \$100 note of

this branch. Denominations of Columbia Branch Paper Notes: \$1, \$2, \$3, \$5, \$10, \$20, and \$100. The Parent Bank at Galveston: \$1, \$3, \$5, (1848), \$10 (1848), \$20, \$50 and \$100. I have never had any signed notes of this bank. The signed notes were evidently destroyed.

Colonel Williams (formerly of Baltimore) was the President, and a Mr. McMillan of Akron, Ohio, the cashier, of the Commercial & Agricultural Bank. There was a provision requiring the bank to assure that "\$100,000 had entered its vaults," however, this did not seem to be complied with according to records. It closed in 1858.

## The Liberty Cap in Historical Symbolism

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

IT IS VERY probable that every normal person in this country has, at some time or other, handled or seen an object portraying a liberty cap. And although it has been very frequently adopted and used through the centuries, its significance and colorful career are known by too few. Its entire history is interwoven with a major part of the history of the world.

It probably originated with the Phrygians who, in order to have some means of distinguishing themselves from the conquered people of eastern Asia Minor, adopted a pointed red-cloth cap that was worn with the top bent toward the front. They also placed its designs on their coins.

Later the Romans adopted the custom of wearing caps, particularly at games and festivals; and when slaves were granted their freedom and became libertines, the placing of the cap upon the heads of the latter became part of the ceremony. The cap worn by the Romans was of red cloth and somewhat bag shaped.<sup>1</sup> Libertas, a Roman goddess, who was raised on Mount Aventine by Tiberius Gracchus was represented as a woman holding a rod in one hand and a cap in the other. A rod was used by magistrates when freeing slaves; a cap was worn by the slaves upon receiving their freedom. Sometimes Libertas was represented with a cat at her feet; for the cat is very fond of freedom.<sup>2</sup>

An instance is recorded where white caps were worn as a symbol of liberty by volunteer slaves or Volones in whose honor Gracchus held a celebration at the time of their enfranchisement.<sup>3</sup> Sometimes Roman revolutionary leaders would hoist a pileus on a spear as a symbol of free-

dom to be given to the slaves if they would flock to the standard of the revolutionist. This was done in 86 B. C. by Marius when he tried to induce the slaves to join him in arms against Sulla. And again by Saturnius in 263, when he seized the capital. After the assassination of Caesar, the conspirators raised a cap on a spear and went forth to the public with it as a symbol of the cause of their deed. The design of the cap appears on the coins of Brutus.

Eventually the English adopted the cap as a symbol of liberty and Britannia is sometimes portrayed holding a cap on the point of a spear. The design of Britannia was first placed on copper coins by Charles II, and was taken from the coins of Antoninus Pius.<sup>4</sup> The latter extended the boundaries of the Roman Empire in Britain and raised the rampart between the Friths of Clyde and Firth. He died in 161. The English cap of liberty is blue with a white border. During the English civil wars it was worn by the anti-royalists.

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On June 12, 1776, Congress created a Board of War and Ordinance, now the Secretary of War, which soon after adopted a seal on which a liberty cap appears prominently.<sup>7</sup> The rejected great seal of the United States that had been proposed by Jefferson, Adams, and Franklin had among other things with Liberty with a staff and cap. The seal adopted by the U. S. Senate bears an American shield surmounted by a liberty cap. And in the latter part of 1776, several states adopted great seals that contained liberty caps. The report of the committee of both houses

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of the New Jersey legislature provided for a seal in which one of the supporters is Liberty holding a staff surmounted by a cap. The great seals of New York, North Carolina, and the obverse of the great seal of Pennsylvania contain similar symbols.

The White Plains Flag which was used at the battle of White Plains, New York, October, 1776, bears the inscription "Liberty & Union" and a design consisting of a sword crossed over a pole surmounted by a red liberty cap. Furthermore, even before the establishment of the Mint of the United States, coins appeared portraying Liberty holding a pole surmounted by a cap or wearing it on her head. Instances are the New York cents of 1783 and 1787, the Connecticut cents of 1785-1787, and the Vermont cents of 1786. Since the establishment of the United States Mint, almost all denominations of United States coins portray a liberty cap.

It may be of interest to temporarily consider the adoption of the liberty cap in France during the French Revolution. The French liberty cap, known as the "bonnet rouge", was of the same type as the Phrygian. An illustration of it can be seen on the 25 centime-piece of the year 3, that is, 1794-1795.<sup>8</sup> There were also many instances of the planting of liberty poles.

It is interesting to note the effects of the French Revolution on the people of the then newly created United States. At first the Federalists and Republicans both celebrated the victory of Dumouriez over the Duke of Brunswick, and the flaming liberty cap was evident somewhere in most of the houses. In fact, some groups wore liberty caps and French cockades. Some French sympathizers and liberty-minded people went so far as to complain that the design of the fifteen links on the Cents that appeared in March, 1793, was too suggestive of slavery and the curtailment of liberty.<sup>9</sup>

On April 8, the L'Ambuscade arrived from France with a liberty cap hung from her foremast and with Citizen Genet, the French minister, on board. After his reception by Washington, Genet attended several dinners held in his honor at Oeller's Tavern where liberty caps were passed around and served as the theme of songs and merriment. As Genet's high-handedness alienated many Americans, arguments arose between the Republicans and the so-called aristocrats who were in one instance dared to take down a liberty cap the Republicans had set up in the Tontine Coffee House in New York. Although Washington was the subject of some criticism, the majority of the people were with him and some showed their faith in him by wearing liberty caps

as a symbol of the synonymy of Washington and Liberty.<sup>10</sup>

Next we hear of the liberty cap during the Whiskey Rebellion in 1794, during which the distillers in western Pennsylvania rebelled against the tax on whiskey and planted liberty poles bearing the inscription, "Liberty and No Excise, O Whiskey!"<sup>11</sup>

When our brief naval war broke out with France in 1798, the liberty cap was denounced because of its associations with the French revolutionists. Therefore, at Hackensack village a large liberty cap on top of a pole was dethroned, and similar caps at Newark and Morristown met a like faith. And the liberty poles protesting the Sedition Bill and an English alliance were pulled down at Newbury.<sup>12</sup>

In 1834, a change in the design on the gold coins brought the liberty cap into the limelight again. The new coins omitted the motto "E pluribus unum" and the cap from the head of Liberty. The Whigs who were opposed to the issue of gold coins jokingly said that Jackson omitted the cap so that it would not be mistaken for a wig (Whig). During the campaign the liberty cap and pole were used to mark the headquarters of the Whigs, and a button portraying a liberty cap and the motto "E pluribus unum" was worn as their campaign emblem.<sup>13</sup> Many of the tokens issued during the Jacksonian era bear inscriptions alluding to the financial controversy.

In the meantime important changes were taking place in the other American countries. As the Spanish possessions in America revolted and set up republican forms of government, the liberty cap came into frequent and extensive adoption. It became part of the great seals of Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Haiti, Nicaragua, Paraguay, and El Salvador. Likewise, it appeared on many coins of the newly created republics. This is particularly true of the coins of Mexico of which the pesos of 1825-1839 are excellent examples. The 1813 peso of Argentina was one of the earliest coins of the new republics to bear a liberty cap.

Let us return again to its progress in the United States. The first half of the nineteenth century witnessed a mushroom growth of banks that flooded the country with notes of varying reliability and description. However, it is interesting to note that several hundred of the notes have illustrations of the liberty cap. The following are a few examples: \$5. Valley Bank of Hagerstown, Md.; \$1. State Bank of New Brunswick, N. J.; \$5 Bank of the State of Georgia; \$5 Mechanics Bank of Augusta, Ga.; \$20 Bank of Augusta; \$20 Commercial Bank of Columbia, S. C.; \$3 The Mississippi Central Railroad Com-

pany, Holly Springs, Miss.; \$5 The Mechanics Bank of Memphis, Tenn.; etc.

The cap played a part in the campaign of 1840. And on a cartoon of the time is portrayed a huge pair of scales called "Government True Scales" which has for its base a pillar called popular opinion. On the left side of the balance stands Gen. Harrison with his votes which are so heavy as to outweigh Van Buren and his votes on the other side in spite of the unfair methods used by his adherents to keep the scales down. In the background are two flag poles surmounted by liberty caps.<sup>14</sup> Another cartoon appeared during the contest over Kansas on which is portrayed "Liberty, the fair maid of Kansas, in the hands of the 'Border Ruffians'". Liberty, who is wearing a liberty cap, is on her knees pleading with Pierce and Cass to spare her. About them are Marcy, Buchanan, and Douglass plundering, murdering and scalping the men, women, and children at work in the fields.<sup>15</sup>

When the war broke out between the North and South, the Confederacy issued Half-dollars, Cents, and paper notes bearing illustrations of the liberty cap. With the admission of Iowa in 1846, Idaho in 1890, and the adoption of a great seal by the Cubans three more great seals were added to those portraying the liberty cap. And so it continues to appear here and there on numerous occasions of varying importance. Evidently, the symbol of liberty becomes more universal with the onward march of time and associates itself with the struggle for freedom from undue restraint, apparent or real.

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## Have You Any Bingles?

THE following is a letter from Jack Sheely of Palmer, Alaska, in reply to an inquiry about the "Bingle" money in use in the Matanuska Valley of Alaska, Uncle Sam's most northerly possession, where he began a year ago the systematic development of a planned colony.

Palmer, Alaska  
May 18, 1936

Dear Mr. Ross:

There are eight denominations of bingles, the highest value is ten dollars. Those next in order are worth respectively: five dollars, one dollar, fifty cents, twenty-five cents, ten cents, five cents, one cent.

The ten dollar and the five dollar bingles are a bright brass color, and the others are aluminum. They are all round with the exception of the one cent bingle which is hexagonal. They are all stamped with their respective values and around the top is stamped "good for (value) in trade." At the bottom of the bingles are the letters A. R. R. C. which stand for the Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corporation which is the "alphabet" head of the colonial project.

These bingles are issued to each of the colonists at the beginning of the month and the amount is charged to the colon-

ist's account. They are used to purchase food supplies for the ensuing month.

The bingles are not dated. They have just been in use since April of this year, and they are proving quite satisfactory.

Very truly yours,  
Jack Sheely

### Notes for Any Collector

D. C. Wismer, veteran numismatist and authority on paper money, addressed the Lansdale, Pa., Rotary Club last month on his work and hobby.

Postal money orders were first issued November 1, 1864. The reason for issuing money orders then was due to the fact that it was so hard to send money to the soldiers during the Civil War. The system had been used successfully in foreign countries before this time, however, a fact that the postal authorities knew.

Some time ago Mrs. Willis Beezley of Syracuse, Neb. found one-half of a dollar bill on the street. A few days ago Orville France, Syracuse school boy, found the other half. Although the whole bill now could be assembled, neither finder was entitled to the whole amount because the law says three corners of the bill must be held



**CHAS. H. FISHER**  
Coin Dealer and collector of Cleveland, Ohio. With two major political conventions in his city in June and many details of a coin business to look after, would you imagine that he could appear so cool and calm, and nonchalant looking? But that is where a hobby helps.

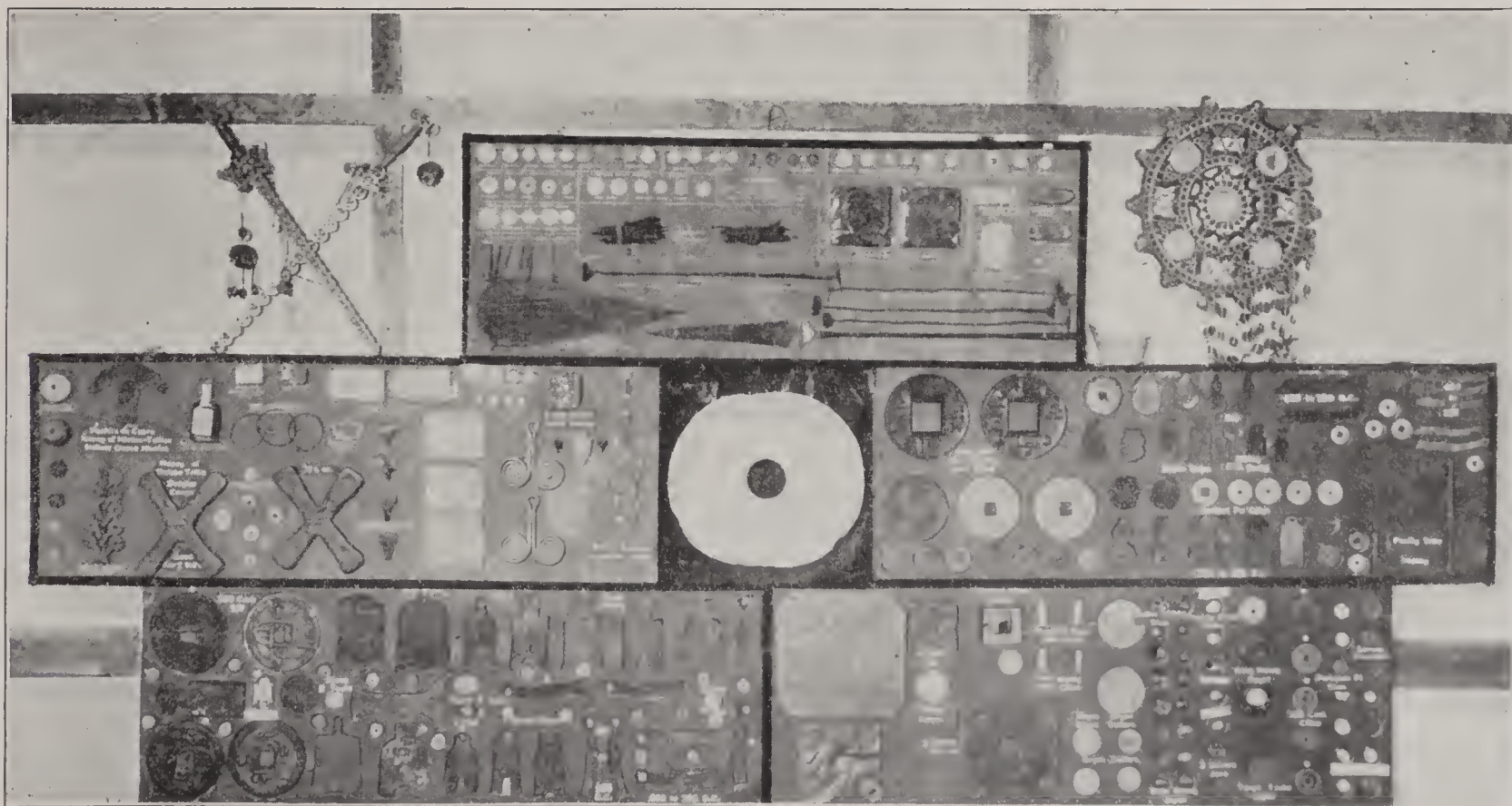
before torn currency can be replaced.

Eugene Pratt, First National bank cashier, found a way. He pasted the one dollar bill together and gave each claimant 50 cents.

Taylor Thompson, of Kennett Square, Pa., thought he struck something good when he discovered sixty-five old coins in a corner of the roof of his house. Thompson took the coins to a bank where he was advised they were counterfeit.

### MONEY USED IN BARTER AND TRADE

Money used in barter and trade throughout history has assumed many shapes. The illustration below depicts some of the many forms collected by L. W. Hoffercker of El Paso, Tex. Among the many items are fish hook money, earrings, cowrie shells, sharks' teeth, spears, and a bottle of whiskey which was used in part payment to help in building one of our early western railroads. Items in this collection range from objects that were used as money by the Baluba tribe in Belgium Congo to a bag of salt.





### DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, 1936

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
<b>SILVER</b>					
Half dollars—regular .....	\$ 641,000.00	.....	.....	\$ 641,000.00	1,282,000
Half dollars—Oregon Trail .....	5,003.00	.....	.....	5,003.00	10,006
Quarter dollars .....	.....	\$ 36,000.00	.....	36,000.00	144,000
Dimes .....	229,000.00	115,000.00	.....	344,000.00	3,440,000
Total .....	\$ 875,003.00	\$151,000.00	.....	1,026,003.00	4,876,006
<b>MINOR</b>					
Five-cent nickel .....	255,300.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 375,300.00	7,506,000
One-cent bronze .....	139,260.00	25,000.00	30,000.00	194,260.00	19,426,000
Total minor .....	\$ 394,560.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$ 569,560.00	26,932,000
Total domestic coinage .....	\$1,269,563.00	\$226,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$1,595,563.00	31,808,006

### COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS At Philadelphia Mint

San Salvador—Nickel—1 Centavo.....2,500,000 pieces

### Questions and Answers

What coin is it if you add one quarter of it to it, it becomes itself a quarter? Twenty cent piece.

What is the most intelligent coin? "Penny wise."

Of what use is a half cent? A coin of half cent is about as useful as a person of half sense.

Why Two cent piece? Two cents, like two heads, are better than one.

What is a crown? It was the purse for the Lion and Unicorn fight.

What is the anxious pence? Suspense.

Why do collectors of old coins like the staler? Anything stale is old, and being staler it must be still older.

What is a lire? Depends on the spelling, lire, liar, lyre.

What is the rarest coin known? Authorities differ. However, probably the most prominent rare coin is the Baltimore penny of which there are but three specimens known. It was coined by Lord Baltimore in his Maryland colony in 1658. The British government suppressed Baltimore's mint almost before it got started. One of the pennies turned up in England in 1819. One of the three known specimens is owned by the University of Pennsylvania, one by Boston Museum of Fine Arts and the other is at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington.

Another prominent rarity is the 1822 five-dollar gold piece. Although there were 17,796 minted, only three of them are known to be in existence, and the owner of one of these three at one time refused an offer of \$10,000 for his specimen. What became of the "lost and not found" is one of the baffling numismatic mysteries that makes coin collecting so fascinating.

And then there is the Old Dean himself, the famous 1804 dollar,

whose history is so well known that it is needless to repeat.

When in an illustrated Ancient History you see pictures of ancient rulers minus "photo by Soandso" or without "from a painting of Sucha-one", you just take it for granted they are conceptive likenesses, such as that of Christ. But you are badly mistaken; they are in most instances exact likenesses of the old gentlemen, from plates taken during their lives, centuries ago. How can this be when there was no kodaking in those early days, and the paintings confined mostly to religious subjects? If you were not a numismatist you would consider this one of those "foolish questions," for in your collection you would have coins of ancient Greece and Rome in fine condition with the portraiture of the ruling monarchs, all stamped during the lifetime of the rulers.

And the pictures you see of mythological gods are not recent conceptives of the deities but reproductions from ancient coins stamped at the time mythological heroes were of vital interest.

To paraphrase Hamlet:—"There is more numismatics, dear reader, than was ever dreamed."

The United States has a "ghost" mint. Constructed at The Dalles, Ore., at a cost of \$100,000 it was intended to take care of the heavy flow of money-ore from Idaho and Oregon mines. However, just when it was completed and the superintendent and disbursing office appointed, the flow of ore subsided, creating a "ghost mint," which was later converted into a grain warehouse.

Approximately 65 persons are using the columns of this department in this issue to buy or sell. Note the many attractive offers and the list of wants.

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**WANTED**—Old U. S. coins, especially large cents, half-cents, commemorative half-dollars and gold. Will buy or trade. —Charles McLean, Oteen, N. C. jly3001

**WANTED FOR CASH**—Michigan Broken Bank Bills and Scrip.—Harold L. Bowen, 818 Lawrence Ave., Detroit, Michigan. A. N. A. 4915 je73

**U. S. METAL STORE CARDS** wanted. —P. E. Wickes, 164 Babcock, Hartford, Conn. jly429

**UNCIRCULATED** United States coins wanted by private collector. State price.—Dr. Frank Chase, 4416 West 8th St., Los Angeles, Calif. d12042

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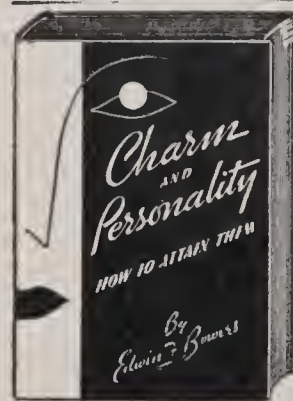
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By FRANK C. ROSS

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Mr. Allan Sutherland in a talk before a New Zealand coin club telling of his annoyances with the money-exchangers of the various countries visited in his world tour paid America this compliment:

In Canada and in the United States of America the dollar-cent decimal system worked admirably. In the border towns, coins and notes of either country were accepted concurrently free of exchange during his visit. The big silver dollar was encountered only on the Pacific Coast. The convenient dollar notes were in use over the whole Continent. The cents were frequently called "pennies." Luxury tax tokens of aluminium, for amounts below one cent, were used in many states.

In New York the growing use of automatic vending machines and the popularity of automat restaurants was marked, and resulted in the need for vast quantities of small coins.

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ing purposes. For keeping coins I do not wish to frame, I cover the coins on the cardboard with celluloid and then cover the celluloid with a piece of heavy paper with corresponding holes.

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Coin collectors are not all numismatic students but all numismatic students are coin collectors. Coin club and coin magazine information are responsible for the vastly increased number of new collectors. Having coins and knowing coins are entirely different. Having coins without knowledge of them does not enlarge a collection, but knowing coins is what makes the collection grow. It has been too long believed by too many people that coin collecting is the finding of rarities in everyday change. Coin collecting is just what its name implies, collecting coins, that is, coins that are easily obtainable. You catch a rarity once in a lifetime, an average coin every day in the week; fish where the fishing is good.

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In exhibiting old coins to a non-collector don't bore him with dry, statistical data but interest him with the history, in story form, of the money. At a club meeting a lady visitor who did not know "what it was all about" ignored the high priced gold coins and other monies, but was enamored with a few German notgeld bills on the table. These Notgeld bills are of no monetary value but they are very artistic and have a very interesting history. The lady was so interested in them that the exhibitor sent her a few of the notgelds as mementos, receiving this reply — "I can't tell you how pleased I am to have you give me the very good-looking paper money, and will owe you my thanks, not only for these, but for starting me on a collection." And that is how, and why, new collectors are being made. Acquaint people with the knowledge of money and not the lure of rarities, and collectors will automatically result.

An inquirer asks "Is the Washington quarter a commemorative coin, and why was none minted in 1933? It is not what is generally recognized as a commemorative coin, although issued to commemorate Washington's anniversary. Commemorative coins are issued in limited numbers to organizations and disposed of to coin collectors and not put in general circulation. The Washington quarter comes under the head of general coinage and will be issued in large numbers each year like other denominations. There were no quarters minted in 1933 because there was a large supply of this denomination on hand in the treasury.

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In David Morantz's Talmudic Tales we find, "Unless a man clearly understands and inwardly digests what he studies, let him read ever so much, he can only be compared to a box well filled with books. Like that box, he carries books within him, and like the box, he is none the wiser for it."

You have been gaining knowledge of coins through HOBBIES, dealers' price lists, auction catalogues, but unless your learning has been coordinated with a coin collection your knowledge is, like undigested reading, a box library. Put your coins in the box, keep your knowledge in your head. Studying numismatics without a collection is like learning chemistry without a laboratory, a knowledge soon boxed and forgotten.

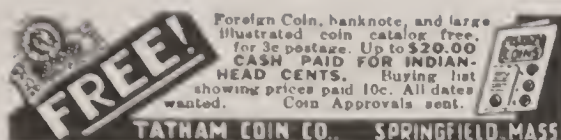
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## Recollections of An Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

### Notes on the Roman Coinage

#### Part I

#### Philip the Arab

Philip, the father, or the Arab, as he was commonly called, was born in the Arabian Colony of Bostra. His father it is stated, was a captain of a robber band! He was a soldier in the Roman army and his talents showed themselves in his rapid rise in power and influence. On the death of Misitheus, in which he is supposed to have been a participant, he became Praetorian perfect under Gordian III, and that young prince, a very interesting young man, being slain in Mesopotamia, Philip was proclaimed as Emperor by the soldiers, in A. D. 244. By the way, the soldiers, and the army, have at all times played an important role in the placing of new rulers or Emperors on the throne of Rome. Philip had great military skill and was of subtle craftiness. With large presents and spoils he ingratiated himself, as some modern politicians do, with his subjects and soldiers, and sent his discharged veterans into new colonies which he himself had established, winning new popularity. These men were established at Damascus, in Coelesyria, Neapolis in Samaria, Philippolis in Arabia, he having founded the latter city. He made peace with Sapor, king of the Persians, and returned to Rome, marching afterwards against the Carpi, a Scythian or Gothic people, who had given trouble to the Roman provinces bordering on the Danube. He declared Dacia to be a free province. He was the first *ipse Primus* alien foreigner presented with the rights of a Roman citizen. He celebrated the *Saecularia*, or secular games, on the thousandth anniversary of the founding of Rome and further marked that great and momentous event by striking commemorative coins on the event. These coins bear a deer, hippopotamus, mile-post, and so on, and his wife, Otacilia also commemorated this anniversary. So that for this very reason alone Philip the Arab deserves immortality. He was one of the earliest rulers to commemorate historical events by coin issues, although of course not the first. His wife Otacilia is believed to have been a Christian empress. By this marriage a son and daughter were born to him, the son being declared Caesar and bore his own name, Philip. About the sixth year of the rule of Philip he marched against Trajanus Decius, who had been called Emperor by the

Roman Army in Pannonia, when Philip was killed at Verona by his own troops, testifying to the feeble hold even a good emperor or empress held on the reins of power at that exciting time. Philip has left us a most interesting and varied coinage in both bronze and silver, which is most fortunate for collectors. Mr. Newell we learn is making a study of the coins of this same Philip the Arab. That a Roman emperor, originally, like Hitler, a foreigner, while a ruler of Rome, had enough enterprise and originality to issue a series of attractive coins, depicting Roman history 1,000 years before, that marked Philip and his wife Otacilia as in respects living far in advance of their time, and entitled to more than ordinary numismatic notice. Practically all of his coins have his bust, showing a rather homely visage of, however, strong character. The workmanship of his coins compares favorably with that of other rules of his time.

#### Error Bidding

The coin sale cataloguers report troubles of their own recently in dealing with careless collectors, who ignore printed sale rules and terms and insist on making their own rules for their conduct in sending bids by mail. Plainly worded admonitions are unnoticed, or else the collector, usually a new one, in his enthusiasm over certain lots offered thinks of nothing else except writing down a bid rapidly, in a somewhat careless way. At every auction sale somebody bids on the wrong lot, and if he secures that lot at maybe a bit over the price he would expect to pay for it, lambasts the cataloguer, and if he insists on his rules about bidding on wrong lots being carried out he is declared by some to be a "Shylock demanding his pound of flesh." This, gentle reader, and bidder, is not a fair proposition or explanation to a printed statement which says "We will not be held accountable for bids made on the wrong lot." Another type of bidder, who, however, is not nearly as common as the one who bids on the wrong lot, is the one who gets more coins at a sale than he expects, and after some weeks delay, returns a goodly portion of the lots secured with the information that as he "got a good many lots from other sales recently held," he "will have to return these lots." All of which means that the cataloguer, who could have made a ready sale in the salesroom, to



someone at often slightly less bids, is obliged to reoffer the lots returned maybe months later, with attendant delay and expense. The man who bids on a wrong lot is nearly always sure to add that the "lot was secured at too big a price anyhow." The writer was recently belabored by a collector for having paid two or three dollars for an uncirculated quarter dollar of a rather late date, a mint mark. The lot he did not intend to bid on, but he was entirely wrong about how the cataloguer had served him, as it was found he had half a dozen bids on that very lot and had billed it at about ten cents over another man's bid. Error bidding is a situation which does not make for pleasant feelings and it frequently causes a cataloguer to cut the complainant off his mailing list. So it is a situation which is two edged, works both ways.

#### Numismatic Journeys

The writer hopes to be able to print in the near future an account of his journeys to Rutherfordton, N. C., the scene of the Bechtler coinage. He has visited the place a number of times in the Blue Mountains. And hopes also to give later an account of his trip to Dahlonega, Ga., the home of the celebrated gold coinages extending from 1838 to 1861. His visit to Dahlonega was made during the winter of 1930, and included some interesting experiences. He took photographs of the old mine shafts, at both Rutherfordton and Dahlonega.

#### Colonel Green Dies

The news that Colonel E. H. R. Green, the son of the eccentric "Hetty Green", who once refused to raise his wages above \$5 per month, will come as a surprise, and with much regret to many collector, and a few coin dealers, whose fortunes were swelled by the purchases of the late Colonel Green. Colonel Green was a good thing for four or five coin dealers, and is believed to have bought \$200,000 worth of American coins through one dealer alone. His demise raises another question as to the disposal of half a million or more dollars worth of rare coins and paper money. Colonel Green collected all kinds of paper money unless foreign is excepted. It is believed he had one \$10,000 bill, which cost him at six per cent interest \$600 per year. This is a rather expensive hobby even for a millionaire. However as Colonel Green is supposed to have left \$75,000,000, he evidently did not worry about the face value of any coin or note he lost the interest on and with all of his collections still had enough money to keep the wolf from the door. He had several residences and farms. The Colonel and Mrs. Wilks are believed to have inherited the lion's share of

the Hetty Green estate, which was of course large. But there is no evidence that Hetty was a collector of coins or paper money in the sense that we collect them. There will be a rivalry from now on among the biggest dealers to see who will get the Green collection and how they are to be sold. He left a tremendous stamp collection too, which will keep stamp collectors guessing for awhile also.

#### Coin Sale Records

The following are a few of the prices realized at the last sale of The Elder Coin & Curio Corp., held in New York on June 19 and 20:

Book Hawkins on English coins, \$7.75; Crosby, on Early Coins of America, \$37.00; Scotts Copper Coin Catalog, reprint, \$3.10; Hard Times Tokens, reprint, \$3.80; Palestine pottery lamp, ancient, \$4.00; Babylonian Baked Clay Tablet, unc., perfection, described, \$8.00; Brass Tomahawk, about 75 years old, \$7.75; Large Fossil Sharks Tooth, \$2.00; Chinese Pu Knife coin, \$4.00; Small scarab, before 1500 B.C., very fine, \$2.50; 1806

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In 1879 Congress was pressed for a \$4 piece to be called the "Stella." At another time a group wanted a \$1 gold piece coined with a hole in the center.

There was a group which campaigned for the "goloid" dollar to be made in part of gold and in part of silver, with the idea that a dollar made partly of gold would keep its market value no matter what happened to the price of silver.

### OLD TIME MONEY

I wish I had some old time money,  
A shiny, silver, wagon wheel,  
Its clatter turned gray skies to sunny  
I loved it for I knew 'twas real.

A power was in its clink and jingle  
That filled my heart with courage new,  
It set my very soul a tingle  
And brought to life a rosy view.

It gave me confidence when near,  
To touch it offered quite a thrill;

The tradesmen also loved to hear it  
When I came in to pay my bill.

Two dollars were enough to rattle  
And make me seem a millionaire;  
Five dollars made me loudly prattle  
And act as though I walked on air.

The money men today are vaunting  
Has little personality;  
The noisy, old time kind I'm wanting,  
Its jolly jingle just suits me.

*By John A. Stover.*

## History and Signers of the Continental Currency Notes

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

**T**HE First Continental Congress which was a meeting of the representatives from the British colonies that later became the United States of America met in Carpenter's Hall at Philadelphia on September 5, 1774, for the purpose of taking measures to adjust the difficulties with England. Upon completion of their business, the members made arrangements for reconvening on May 10, 1775, in case their requests of the king were not granted. Unfortunately, their petition was not only rejected, but the battles of Lexington and Concord had been fought before the date set for reconvention. Therefore, when the Second Continental Congress met, one of its first measures was to authorize on June 22, 1775, the issue of \$2,000,000 in Continental Currency notes to defray military expenses.

The resolution states "That the number and denomination of the bills to be emitted be as follows<sup>1</sup>:

49,000	bills of	8	dollars each...	\$	392,000
49,000	"	7	"	"	343,000
49,000	"	6	"	"	294,000
49,000	"	5	"	"	245,000
49,000	"	4	"	"	196,000
49,000	"	3	"	"	147,000
49,000	"	2	"	"	98,000
49,000	"	1	"	"	49,000
11,800	"	20	"	"	236,000
403,800					\$2,000,000

"Resolved, That the form of the bills be as follows:

CONTINENTAL CURRENCY  
No. Dollars

THIS bill entitles the bearer to receive Spanish milled dollars, or the value thereof in gold or silver, according to the resolutions of the Congress, held at Philadelphia, on the 10th of May, A.D. 1775."

Soon another issue was authorized. However, since the members did not have sufficient time in which to sign the notes, the Congress appointed the following 28 persons to the task<sup>2</sup>:

A view of the milling districts of Minneapolis, Minn., the city to which the American Numismatic Association will trek for their annual convention which will be held from August 22 to 27.







Continental Currency Note, 1776.

Luke Morris  
Samuel Meredith  
Judah Foulke  
Samuel Morris  
Frederick Kuhl  
Robert S. Jones  
Thomas Coombe  
Ellis Lewis  
John Mease  
Thomas Lawrence  
Daniel Clymer  
John M. Nesbit  
Thomas Barclay  
John Bayard

William Craig  
Thomas Bartow  
John Shee  
Isaac Hazlehurst  
Robert Roberts  
Anthony Morris  
Mordecai Lewis  
George Mifflin  
Robert Tuckniss  
Andrew Bunner  
William Jackson  
Joseph Sims  
James Milligan  
James Reed

Each of the continental bills was numbered and signed by two of the men who were paid one and one-third of a dollar for each thousand bills signed and numbered by them.

On December 11, 1775, Congress appointed another group of men to sign and number the bills recently authorized:

Samuel Morris  
Frederick Kuhl  
Stephen Collins  
Nicholas Garrison  
Matthew Clarkson  
Samuel C. Morris  
Thomas Barclay  
Anthony Morris  
James Wharton  
Benjamin Fuller  
Joel Evans  
Andrew Bunner  
John Mease  
Thomas Coombe  
John Bayard  
Robert Tuckniss  
Isaac Hazlehurst  
Thomas Morris

Samuel Caldwell  
John Purviance  
Mordecai Lewis  
George Campbell  
Joseph Parker  
Daniel Clymer  
Joseph Watkins  
John Shee  
Phineas Bond  
James Read  
Robert Roberts  
John Ord  
Isaac Howell  
William Webb  
Jonathan B. Smith  
Cornelius Barnes  
Thomas Smith  
William Crispin

On February 21, 1776, another issue was authorized<sup>3</sup>. A partial statement of the resolution states that the denominations be:

600,000 of one-sixth of a dollar....100,000  
600,000 of one-third of a dollar....200,000  
600,000 of one-half of a dollar....300,000  
600,000 of two-thirds of a dollar....400,000

Also, "That each of these bills be signed by one signer only, and that each different denomination be numbered from No. I progressively as aforesaid."

As new issues of the notes were authorized, various groups of the following men in the order listed were appointed or reappointed to sign the notes<sup>4</sup>:

Benjamin Brannon  
William Gibson  
John Philpot  
Richard Johns  
Robert Dorsey  
Mark Alexander  
John Dorsey  
Edward Gater  
William Young  
George Patterson  
Richard Strlnger  
Samuel S. Coale  
Rinaldo Johnson  
St. George Peale  
Joseph Galther  
Zachariah Maccublin

Dennis Griffith  
James Franklin  
William Gibson  
John Barney  
Hans Creery  
Clement Brook  
William Hammond  
James Walker  
Horatio Johnson  
John Taylor  
Darby Lux  
Daniel Carrol  
Samuel Nichols  
Col. Patton  
Col. Copperthwait  
Joseph H. Elliss

Richard  
Humphreys  
James Longhead  
Jedediah Snowden  
Joseph Walter  
Joseph Bullock  
William Thorne  
Thomas Leiper  
John Lardner  
Alexander Nesbit  
Frederick Phyle  
John Young  
William Gray  
Robert Caither  
Col. L. Farmer  
John Keppele  
William Adcock  
Joseph Pennel  
Joseph Hubley  
John Mease  
Peter Stretch  
Nathaniel Donald  
William Hardy  
Joseph Snowden  
James Wilson  
William Sheaf  
Edward Fox  
William Rush  
Robert Roberts  
Gunning Bedford  
John Shee  
Francis Lewis  
William Marshall  
Joseph Wilson  
James Royson  
James Little  
James Rowan  
Isaac All  
Charles Alexander  
Richard Eyres  
Samuel Lyon  
Nathaniel Donnell  
Robert Roberts  
Jedediah Snowden  
Samuel Lyon  
Joseph Carleton  
Joshua Coit  
John Nicholson  
Cornelius Comegys  
Moses Young

There were about forty issues of the notes of which the last was authorized on November 29, 1779. It is probable that there were some secret issues that were not recorded. The denominations of the notes varied from the fractional part of a dollar to sixty-five dollars, and totaled \$241,552,700.

The Continental Currency was the first fiat money issued in the history of our government. By fiat money is meant currency without sufficient gold or silver basis, and intended to circulate on the basis of the integrity and credit of the government. The other instance of fiat money issued by our government was the United States notes, otherwise known as greenbacks or legal tenders. The latter currency was also a war-time emergency currency.

Although the Continental Currency was to be eventually redeemed by the states, the value of the notes depreciated rapidly due to their abundance, the enormous amount of counterfeits, and the inability of the states to redeem the amounts apportioned to them. In 1778, six dollars in Continental Currency passed for one dollar. In 1779, it required 27, and in 1780, from 60 to 100. In fact, the notes became so worthless that some people papered their walls with them. Others jokingly made clothes out of them. Our expression "not worth a Continental" is a carry over from the Revolutionary days. However, a Continental is of numismatic value today.

(Continued on next page)

Belcher Smith  
George Bond  
Thomas Eddison  
William Gamble  
Joseph Watkins  
Isaac Gray  
Lodowick Sprogeil  
Robert Mullen  
John Lawrence  
John Leacock  
Samuel Wetherill  
Joseph Kerr  
Luson Simmons  
William Stretch  
Thomas Nevill  
Paul Cox  
James Dundas  
Robert Cather  
Dr. Jos. Gardner  
John Helm  
Hampton Round  
Cornelius Comegys  
John Reed  
William Coats  
John Williams  
George Bright  
Levy Budd  
William Colladay  
Matthew Strong  
James Johnson  
Samuel Nicholas  
William Gray  
John Graff  
Jacob Masoner  
John Hazlewood  
Daniel Wister  
Francis Swaine  
Henry Eppele  
Michael Kemmel  
Jacob Graff  
Christopher Baker  
David Shaffer  
Michael Shubert  
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A partially effective provision was made for the redemption of the notes on March 18, 1780. As a result, \$119,400,000 of the notes were paid in by the states in the form of taxes. The redeemed notes were destroyed and an issue one-twentieth as small was made, of which six-tenths went to the states; the remainder to the national government. The new notes were interest-bearing and redeemable in five years.

As for the remainder of the notes, about \$6,000,000 were accepted at a rate of 100 to 1 in accordance with the provisions of the Funding Act of 1790. Most of the other outstanding amount, estimated at \$72,000,000, was considered either lost or destroyed. What portion remains today is found in museums and numismatic collections. Governor Gibbs' son is said to have found an unsigned five dollar Continental note in a crevice of the Old Tower at Newport, R. I. Incidentally, the Old Tower is believed to have been built prior to the discovery of America by Columbus.

In conclusion, it may be fitting to mention the devices on a few of the notes. One bears the picture of a candelabrum with thirteen branches with the motto, "ONE FIRE AND TO THE SAME PURPOSE." Another, authorized by the resolution of Congress of January 14, 1779, shows an unfinished pyramid, symbolic of permanence. It is probable that the unfinished pyramid on the reverse of the Great Seal of the United States was suggested by the device on the latter note. Another, bears the motto, "WE ARE ONE," and a circular chain of thirteen links with the name of a state on each link. The latter device also appears on the obverse of the 1787 cent and differs very little from the "Fugio Cent."

1 Journals of Congress, Vol. I, p. 88.

2 Ibid, p. 123.

3 Ibid, p. 270.

4 Ibid, Volumes II and III.

Showing reverse and obverse of the new Wisconsin commemorative coin.



## Notes

IF it's news when a man bites a dog, what is it when a dog endorses a check? Probably good business instinct and a healthy appetite, for Bickham, a pedigreed English spaniel cashed a \$5 check on the Laconia, N. H., bank by applying his paw-print. The money was used to buy dog food.

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Proof coins of the new copper Chinese money were struck at the Philadelphia mint last year, and the dies forwarded to Shanghai, where the coins were minted for circulation. The two denominations are of like design, except for numerals of value. The obverse shows a blazing sun surrounded by the inscription "Chinese Republic" and the date. On the reverse is the picture of ancient fork money used during the Chow dynasty, about 300 B. C.

## Addenda Commemorative Coins

On page 66 of the June issue we listed seven new commemoratives and the names of their distributors—Wisconsin, Cincinnati, Long Island, Delaware Swedish Tercentenary, Bridgeport (Conn.) and New Rochelle, N. Y.

Other bills recently passed for commemorative issuance include:

Lynchburg, Va., Sesquicentennial Coin (for information write—Secretary, Lynchburg Sesquicentennial Association, P. O. Box 731, Lynchburg, Va.).

Columbia, S. C., Sesquicentennial commemorative (Sesquicentennial Committee, James H. Hammond, chairman, Columbia, S. C.).

Elgin, Ill., centennial coin (L. W. Hoffecker, 1514 Montana, El Paso, Tex., who distributed the Old Spanish Trail half dollars, will supply details).

Coin commemorating the anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg (Pennsylvania State Commission, Paul L. Roy, executive-secretary, Hotel Gettysburg, Pa.

York County, Maine, Commemorative (Walter P. Nichols, Treasurer, York National Bank, Saco, Maine).

## New Numismatic Edition

"A History of Our Metallic Money," is a new book just issued by E. O. Webb, Box 1300, San Jose, Calif., which is well-written and covers the subject of United States coinage from the earliest period to the present time. It is not only an ideal type of book for a beginner but one that every collector should own. It is illustrated with all the pictures of the U. S. commemoratives and the private gold coins of the last century and is ably written from the standpoint of interesting the general public in the collection of coins.

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WANTED—Society of the Cincinnati, medals, Eagle decorations.—E. Decker, 29 Union Ave., Lynbrook, N. Y. ap12081

WANTED—The following Commemorative Half Dollars in strictly uncirculated condition. Will pay cash. Maine, \$2.75; Pilgrim, 1821, \$2.25; Huguenot, \$2.00; Monroe, \$1.40; California, \$1.75. All correspondence answered. — J. C. Stephens, 1702 S. Main, Elkhart, Indiana. o3061

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**WANTED**—Any broken bank bills stamped or penned, counterfeit, altered, worthless, broken, etc. Also genuine bills from all states for my collection. Correspondence solicited.—Bernard T. Connor, 1329 Lewis Ave., Long Beach, Calif. o3051

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# NUMISMATICS



## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

"WHY, with price of rarities so high, are there so many coin collectors; doesn't the average person have to sacrifice home necessities for his hobby?"

The question is based on the wrong hypothesis. Numismatics is not the art of collecting rarities but the science or study of coins. If a coin collection was dependent on rarities for recognition there would be but few collections as the extremely rare coins are few and far between. There are not enough to supply the seniors, let alone the army of general collectors.

A rarity in the average collection is an exception, not the rule.

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Public Nuisance No. 1 is the person who borrows a lens and forgets, or fails, to return it.

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There are some who would have us believe that the multiplicity of commemorative coin issues of the past two years saved numismatics from being shelved, and that if their continued issuance in ever increasing numbers was now discontinued numismatics will fold up and fade away. Coin collecting, which dates back to the fig leaf currency of the Garden of Eden, is not dependent on commemoratives for continued longevity. They are merely a side line. They are not the vertebra of numismatics, but merely the rouge, the ornamentation. The old grizzled fighting coin veterans who have gone over the top many and many a time have made history, not watched it from observation points, and they are not going to be side-tracked by an ornamental troupe of home guards who never have, and were never intended, to smell powder. If the cornered market is not soon broken the demand for commemoratives will drop and the collectors who have been taken for a ride by the speculators will soon be flooding the market with cut rate hold overs.

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Spend at least one happy hour each

evening with your coins, for, as Catalius said, "What is there given by the Gods more desirable than a happy hour?"

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You have a collection of "Miss Nuisances"—states sales tax tokens. It is a side line with you, something to toy with. You should take it seriously—keep it up to date. In a short time a new system will be adopted, the present tokens, except those in collections, will disappear. A century hence some historian searching for material for his "History of Taxation of the United States" may use the very set of tokens, left by you to posterity, for new information on the subject and for corroboration or correction of consulted data.

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Old man Friction is the numismatic goblin. Keep your coins in separate envelopes free from friction, or "the goblins will get them if you don't watch out."

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It is not the men who merely mount the horse but the ones that stick on the mount, not the ones that start a difficult task but the ones who finish that count. If you conclude to ride the numismatic hobby-horse, stick to your mount, be on at the finish. If your mount balks at the hurdle "more information needed", make him overcome it. If he rears at "rarities needed", don't grab the pommel and cry "whoa", give him the spurs, and say "get up." If your ride is once begun, don't dismount until it's done.

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It was Tom Paine who tacked the "not worth a Continental" on our Revolutionary paper money when he had to pay \$300 for a pair of woolen stockings.

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The world's progress is based on ambition and its measure of success depends on the courage of the ambi-

tioners. Be an Ambitionist. If you have an ambition, verbalize it and ambition it through; you are sure of success if you only do. If you have an ambition to form a coin collection, don't rest on your ambition, verbalize the noun and ambition your ambition.

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As you add coin upon coin to your collection, shoot straight, be on the square, don't misrepresent your ware in a trade with a fellow collector, do not take advantage of a tyro's ignorance of values, do not surreptitiously take a good coin from an exhibit or consignment and put a poor one in its place. You should always be free to ask yourself with Goethe, "Does the sun shine on me today that I may reflect on yesterday?" In other words, have I ever done anything in the past that will not stand the sunshine of today?

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Luther H. Whitt in the Dayton Independent says, "When 2000 commemorative coins are issued to a committee to supply the demands of 300,000 coin collectors it's done for speculative purposes—not to commemorate an event."

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Substitute "hobby" for "vocation" in Dicken's "It is well for a man to respect his own vocation whatever it is, and to think himself bound to uphold it, and to claim for it the respect it deserves", and you will have a fitting advice to all hobbyists. Stand up for your hobby, be it coins, stamps or antiques. Do not deride the others' stamp or antique collection; hobbies are matters of choice, not of mercenary gains; yet, on the other hand, do not permit your coin collection to be belittled. Each hobby has its own particular niche to fill, and all hobby niches are in the same tier, side by side, not above or below each other.

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During Peter the Great's reign citizens were taxed for the privilege of growing beards. In 1724 a coin was struck and given as a receipt in full to those paying the "whisker tax." If pictured sartorial Russia, with its millions of hirsuted men, is to be believed, the beard coins, although



minted more than two centuries ago, must still be in the "very plentiful" class.

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One often hears the remark that foreign currency is much more beautiful than American money. Beauty is only skin deep—a tempting veneer. American money, all right all the way through, looks pretty good to me, a great deal more so than surfaced beauties of inflationary currency of alien lands.

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The zest in the quest—not in the "invest"; in the fun you get out of it, not the money you put into it. You get as much zest out of a low priced phase of numismatics as an expensive one. There are many phases to choose from; you may choose a phase to fit your purse or one to suit your fancy; you get the same fun out of either. A collection gives satisfaction but collecting furnishes the sport, for the zest is in the quest.

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A California hobbyist just couldn't see numismatics at all. It had never been put up to him right; his curiosity had never been aroused. A year ago a Missouri correspondent sent him some "milk cap" tax tokens. He had read about them. They penetrated his bump of curiosity. To shorten a long tale this California gentleman now has a complete set of sales tax tokens and exhibits his collection with as much pride as if it were a \$50,000 group of rarities. He claims the fun he got out of collecting the tokens is worth a hundred times the cost, the information secured about taxation twice the cost, and the acquisition of a yen for numismatics immeasurable.

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A penny soliloquizes for the *Kansas City Star*. "I used to be about as low as any coin could be, why men tossed me upon the floor and walked right over me. I hadn't any value and all that you could buy could be wrapped up in brown paper and dropped within your eye. But now I've grown important, my being fairly thrills, today men purchase change with me for I am worth ten mills."

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Iowa is raising something else besides its "tall corn"; it now boasts two coin clubs, Des Moines and Waterloo, and both clubs are growing "to beat the corn". Iowa's two club boast ought to spur the other Midwest states to match the record.

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Yes, you have a fine collection of coins, very fine indeed, but did you acquire them all at one time or did you collect them one by one, selective-

ly and understandingly? Do you remember when and why you secured each coin? Do you know the history and background of your pieces? From the top your collection looks fine, but what is underneath it? Is your collection based on a knowledge of numismatics? "It's what's underneath that counts."

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Don't lament that some collectors find it so easy to locate old coins they need. It doesn't, as you suppose, come natural to them. While you sit around wishing, they hustle around searching. "Don't sit down in the meadow and wait for the cow to back up and be milked—go after the cow."

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Coin clubs is not an American innovation nor is it a new wrinkle. The Royal Numismatic Society of England is celebrating its centenary anniversary this year. It is one of the oldest societies in the world devoted to the study of coins.

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Harold Mattingly of the British Museum staff said, "It is perhaps not generally realized how many aspects of life numismatics touches—certainly history, economics, and art. Going back beyond history, coins often supply the only names known to us. There are even cases when, having got the name, we do not know whether it is that of a man, a place, or a tribe." Spink.

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The following recipe for cleaning old coins is from Luther H. Whitt. "An old coin can be safely cleaned by placing it inside a potato overnight; then wash it with soap and water (do not scrub), apply a little sweet oil and wipe dry with soft tissue paper. Any other cleaning should be done by an expert."

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A. Tennyson said, "There is nothing un-beautiful in nature", and A. Numismatist says, "There is no ugliness in monies." The drab clod and the gray stone furnish the necessary hues in the blending of "ain't nature grand?" and the painest coin occupies a necessary niche in the scheme of coinage.

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"I went to the animal fair, the birds and the beast were there" with the exception of one little animal, for, as the *Boston Post* says, the admission to the fair was one dollar and the admission fee was larger than his resources. "The frog and terrapin could go in because they had green-backs; birds because they had bills; lambs because they had four quarters; but one little animal had to stay outside because he had only a scent."

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## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

### Cheap Coins with Old Dates

IF newspaper writers, instead of printing only the high prices realized for coins, would print a partial list of nice old coins with very old dates, which could be obtained for moderate or cheap prices, coin dealers would be saved a great deal of useless work and correspondence.

There are many nice old silver coins, in good preservation, some of them bearing plain dates, which can be obtained for as low as fifty cents apiece. Perhaps the very oldest dated silver coins, obtainable around this price, are the solidii and groats of Poland and Austria. A very good Polish groat is obtainable with a date from 1506 to 1563 for about fifty cents. Does it not seem remarkable that a coin over 300 years old can be obtained for half a dollar? Many of the three-groat silver coins of Sigismund of Poland and Austria bear excellent portraits, or figures of the emperor, sometimes mounted on his horse. Next to these, the cheapest early dated silver is likely the coins of Elizabeth of England, who reigned from 1558 until the time of James I. The Elizabeth six pence with a clear date before 1600 can be had for fifty cents, the three pence for about the same price. The shilling, which is undated, is obtainable for about a dollar, in good preservation, and is a satisfactory example of the coinage and workmanship of that time. From that time on to the end of the reign of Charles I good silver coins are obtainable from fifty cents to a dollar apiece, although not with dates. From 1600 on there are many fine dated German and Austrian silver coins to be had for little money, and often in fine state, many of them with busts. They are absolute proof that an old coin is not necessarily a rare or high priced coin. But the ignorant public sticks to the idea that it is age which makes a coin rare and valuable. Attractive little Maunday silver coins from the time of Charles II to Anne, are obtainable, dated pieces, with moderate cost, not over fifty cents a coin for very good examples. The oldest cheap thaler or dollar coins are those of Germany and Austria. The Saxon series is moderate in cost, although our devalued, fifty-nine cent dollar, makes them cost more in Europe than formerly. Europeans know our dollar is depreciated, if many Americans do thoughtlessly overlook the fact. But with rising costs for everything we buy over here, the fact is going to be drummed

into their ears and heads after awhile. Notwithstanding this, inflationists like Thomas, insist our dollar is too high in value right now, devalued to fifty-nine cents as it is. His idea is that "debts might be more easily paid off if it were further devalued," which is merely a recommendation to deflate assets and debts at the expense of the consumer and investor who bought what he possesses with a 100 cent dollar. The idea is that of offering a fifty cent piece to pay off a dollar debt. Mr. Thomas regards this offer honest, I assume. When we consider we have a fifty-nine cent dollar, why any old dated coin, which is bought for fifty cents, with its four hundred or three hundred year old date, at forty per cent discount from the fifty cents of course, is easily computed as being bought at a price of thirty cents.

Without going into the subject of cheap priced copper coins with old dates in this article, the writer can sincerely say that there is an almost unlimited field for the collector in old dated silver coins. Boys who invest in such coins can often resell them for larger prices merely on account of their dates hundreds of years old. I think if I were a boy I would start out as a small coin merchant by offering my companions in school some of these very old dated cheap silver coins. Many of these, of small size, can be had for twenty-five cents apiece, I mean those before 1800, could be resold at double their cost. In another article the writer will go into the subject of cheap priced ancient coins.

### Devaluation Effects on Coin Prices

Our fifty-nine cent dollar, "enjoyed" at the present time has some odd repercussions in the coin collecting world, also the situation is unusual as regards gold coins. A good many collectors, notwithstanding the weirdly high prices of pork chops, clothes, restaurant food costs, and other commodities, seem to think we still have a 100 cent dollar—instead of one cut almost in half. That helps to explain the size of their bids on American and foreign gold coins, and on fine silver coins, both ancient and modern, which they seem to reason, should be had for the same old prices today as when bacon and pork chops sold for twenty-five cents a pound. The catalogers still report they are receiving bids of \$1.65 on fine gold dollars, and \$1.00 each on really fine foreign thalers from "careful" bid-



ders. If we have not come to realize the present size and value of our dollar the foreigners have. Witness, now, the German catalogues listing Saxon thalers from 1535 to 1635 at from \$5 to \$8.50 U. S. money, each, whereas bidders over here stick to old time figures of \$1.10 to \$3.00 each. And fine old double thalers of Austria from Ferdinand to Charles VI go begging here at \$3.00 to \$3.50 each as a rule. These prices are an imposition in view of the above. The American collector has increased his bids on U. S. silver, but the offers still lag on the fine foreign and ancient pieces which are offered. Any effort on his part to import coins from Europe, or to bid at European sales, will put him wise. Another sign of the times is the absence here of visiting European coin dealers, who find American collectors will not pay the big prices in dollars which are demanded by European exchange. One will admit it may have caused American collectors to patronize home talent. So far as coin collecting is concerned—Uncle Sam is also so "generous" in offering "to redeem" some paper dollars with "a silver dollar" worth today forty cents in its silver value, notwithstanding the outlay of hundreds of millions of dollars to stabilize silver at a fictitious price. That sort of a paper dollar is not even a fifty-nine cent dollar but only a forty cent dollar!

If coins were viewed in the same light as commodities they could be considered, at present prices, the cheapest things in this world today, and incidentally of the most permanent and certain intrinsic values, for in a pinch any foreign silver or other coin could be converted into its value in metal. Coins are a fine hedge against inflation—the moderately valued ones (big rarities are different).

A Holland guilder, worth nominally forty cents costs in U. S. money, sixty-eight cents, while ten francs premium has to be deducted from a silver dollar. A five marks gold mark coin costs \$1.75 to \$1.85 in U. S. dollars. American coin dealers traveling Europe will return with a less exalted opinion of the American dollar and its value. The still fairly moderate prices of English coins are traceable to the "stable" price of the pound at around \$5.00-\$5.05. Don't forget, however, that England has also a rubber coin, "off the gold" standard.

Please remember also that it was once quoted at \$3.25—this pound—while it has now gained on our dollar and sells above the old time dollar, coin collectors should keep dollar values in mind.

### Obverse and Reverse

Charles Fisher of Cleveland writes to thank us for putting his picture in a recent issue of HOBBIES. He said he had quite a number of invitations as a result to stop and see various collectors and these invitations will save him the cost of many a meal. One correspondent remarked that he didn't know Mr. Fisher was a minister. That Windsor tie fools a lot of people. But he is a preacher. He preaches pshmetwarschlag.

The trouble with Fisher is he has a cock-eyed imagination. He lives at Chagrin Falls, a suburb of Cleveland, where he has a country estate. He has every kind of imaginable pet including two raccoons that are about as cute as you can imagine. He insisted, however, when the writer visited him one evening last Fall, that he had a pet bullfrog in a pool. We watched that night till after twelve o'clock trying to get a glimpse of the pet bullfrog. We finally concluded the pet bullfrog was hiding in the vivid imagination of the said Fisher. Numismatists get that way.

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At the recent Wisconsin Centennial celebration Fred W. Harris' Centuries of Progress (display of coins) attracted quite a crowd to the official booth which Mr. Harris had in his charge. On July 4, one of the high points in attendance, Mr. Harris said that over 2,000 questions were answered about the exhibit and coins in general. Mr. Harris has his collection arranged chronologically from

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A writer in a London paper says that one of the most beautiful coins in the world, is the Demareteion, a Syracuse piece of the fifth century. One of these pieces was exhibited at the recent gathering of numismatists in London.

Sir George MacDonald, the archaeologist-numismatist, presided at this convention.

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The King of Italy, one of the world's most renowned coin collectors, has written several books on numismatics.

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In his forty years of collecting, John H. Mackey of Florida, has at last found, he says what he considers one of the rarest gold coins ever minted, the famous Confederate gold cent. It has "Confederate States of America, 1861, with Liberty head on the face, the reverse has "one cent." It is 22 carats with the gold value of \$4.82. Who has another, or can shed some light on this question Mr. Mackey asks.

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At a meeting of the Cincinnati

Numismatic Association held at the Netherland Plaza Hotel on July 14 members decided to make President Roosevelt, and Governor Alf Landon, honorary members of the club. Thomas G. Melish, a member of the club, who has charge of the distribution of the new Cleveland commemorative and the commemorative for the Cincinnati Musical Center commemorative, stated that he would send a set of the two new coins to Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Landon.

It was suggested at this meeting that the Cincinnati and Columbus clubs hold a joint meeting at an early date.

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Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York collects rare biblical coins and medals.

### Notes

Among other auction rarities a beautiful specimen of the 1828 \$5 gold coin with the date stamped over the 1827 date sold for \$960 at a recent auction at the Morgenthau Galleries, New York City. According to J. G. MacAllister only five or six specimens with the superimposed date are known to exist.

A brilliant proof of the \$5 gold, 1887, sold for \$205; \$160 was paid for a fine specimen of the 1830 issue, \$150 for the 1834 date with the motto,

and \$111 for an 1820 issue showing the square "2." The highest price paid for a \$20 gold coin was \$215 for a proof specimen of 1887. A proof of 1899 sold for \$92.50.

The \$10 gold coin of 1798, the year being stamped over 1797, sold for \$215, and a specimen of the 1797 mintage with the small eagle brought \$110. A fine copy of the 1798 \$2.50 gold issue sold for \$132.50.

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Charles Keck, who was the designer of the Vermont Sesquicentennial half-dollar issued in 1927 was also selected to design the Lynchburg commemorative. The Great Lakes commemorative was executed by Brenda Putnam. Miss Putnam and Mr. Keck are from New York. Another New Yorker, Dorothy Lathrop, of Albany has been appointed designer of the Albany commemorative.

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The next medal to be issued by the Society of Medalists, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, was designed by Albert Stewart. This will picture peace. Mr. Stewart's medal was selected from among four other noted competitors' designs.

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# MEDALLIC HISTORY OF WM. H. HARRISON'S PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN OF 1840

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS



*John Tyler, tenth president of the United States, and William Henry Harrison, ninth president of the United States.*

THE brief biographical sketch of William Henry Harrison preceding the discussion of the inscriptions on the various medals is given with the purpose of unifying the inscriptive allusions referred to hereafter and also to enable the reader to grasp the sequence and relationship of the events.

William Henry Harrison was born in Berkeley, Charles City County, Va., in 1773. When yet a very young man he served in the army with Anthony Wayne against the northwestern Indians. After the division of the Northwest Territory which constitutes the States known today as Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin, he became governor of Indiana Territory. During his administration he was compelled to take up arms against Tecumseh and the Prophet whom he defeated in the battle of Tippecanoe on November 7, 1811. During the War of 1812, Harrison distinguished himself by his victory over the combined Indian and English forces in the battle of the Thames in 1813. After the war he became congressman and senator in 1816 and 1824, respectively. As a presidential candidate in 1836, he was defeated by Van Buren; but in 1840 as the candidate of the well-organized Whig party, he had the pleasure of defeating his former opponent. He died one month after his inauguration and was succeeded in office by Vice-President Tyler. It was the first time such a calamity had befallen the United States.

The inscriptions on the medals of Harrison's presidential campaign of 1840 and their allusions and explanations are as follows:

## "Tippecanoe"

Tecumseh and his twin brother the Prophet were inciting the Indians to resist the further westward migration of the white men and urged them to unite against the whites. Tecumseh was particularly incensed over the land-treaties between some of the Indian tribes and the whites. He declared them void because the land was the property of all the tribes. The Indians established their camp near Tippecanoe Creek in what is now Tippecanoe County, Ind. William Henry Harrison, governor of Indiana Territory, led a force against them and defeated them. The British arms found on the Indian battlefield confirmed the belief that the British were encouraging the Indians. This fact hastened the outbreak of the War of 1812.

## "Democrats, Whigs, Weighed in the Balance and Found Wanting"

This inscription probably refers to the belief that the weight of public opinion was in favor of the Whigs. A cartoon of the time portrays a huge balance in which on the left is Harrison, the Whig candidate, while on the right is Van Buren, the Democratic candidate. The weight of the votes on Harrison's side of the balance is so great that it outweighs Van Buren's in spite of the unfair efforts of several to pull Van Buren's side of the balance down.

## "Go It Tip, Come It Tyler"

Tip and Tippecanoe were nicknames given Harrison in memory of his victory over the Indians in the battle of Tippecanoe. During the campaign many of his admirers named their children Tippecanoe, North Bend, etc. in his honor. Even a drayman named his horses Tip and Ty, and as he snapped his whip he would cry out, "Go it Tip, come it Ty!" Tyler was the candidate for the vice-presidency. A popular campaign slogan was "Tippecanoe and Tyler too."

## "Harrison Jubilee, Bunker Hill Sept. 10, 1840"

In the War of 1812 with England, much of the military and naval operations took place on the Canadian border due largely to our attempts at a conquest of Canada. On September 10, 1813, Oliver Hazard Perry captured a British fleet of six vessels on Lake Erie. This event has been quite popularized by Perry's report of "We have met the enemy and they are ours." This victory enabled Harrison to pursue the British across the

Canadian border where he won a brilliant victory over their forces in the battle of the Thames on October 5, 1813, in which Tecumseh was slain. For his victory, Congress awarded Harrison a Congressional medal on April 4, 1818. On September 10, 1840, the anniversary of the battle of Lake Erie, the Whigs held a jubilee at Bunker Hill which was attended by at least sixty thousand delegates from all States. They marched through Boston and Charleston and went up Bunker Hill where they listened to addresses by Webster and other Whig orators. Among other activities, they adopted a declaration of principles in which they expressed their belief in free speech, free press, popular education, and the Constitution.

## "He Leaves the Plough to Save His Country"

According to a Roman legend once when Rome was in danger of being taken by its enemies, the senate appointed Cincinnatus, a patrician, dictator. When the messengers came to tell him of the news, they found him plowing on his little farm. He accepted the dictatorship, captured the enemy; and after sixteen days in office, he laid down the dictatorship and returned to his plow.

The greatness of Cincinnatus in returning the great powers given him has set him up as an ideal, and many countries occasionally refer to one or more of their characters as a Cincinnatus. For example, George Washington is called the American Cincinnatus; and during the campaign of 1840, the Whigs likened William Henry Harrison to him and bore banners to that effect. Although the Whigs advertised Harrison as being a poor farmer who lived in a log cabin, he had a princely farm of 2,000 acres on the banks of the Ohio. The Log Cabin and Hard Cider received so much publicity because of a remark that if Harrison were given a log cabin, plenty of hard cider, and \$2,000 a year, he would ignore the presidency. The Whigs utilized the remark as evidence of the simplicity of their candidate.

## "Loco-focos" or "Locos"

The members of one of the factions of the Democratic party were called loco-focos or locos as the result of satirical articles in the newspapers commenting on one of their meetings in Tammany Hall which the opponents tried to break up by putting out the lights. However, lights were secured by means of candles lighted



with loco-foco matches. The latter gave rise to the name.

"Locos, Wigs, Weighed in the Balance. . ."

See "Democrats, Whigs, Weighed in the Balance and Found Wanting" and "Loco-focos."

#### "March 4, 1841, He Redeems His Country"

Gen. Harrison carried all but seven States of the Union and received 234 electoral votes to 60 for Van Buren. He was inaugurated on March 4, 1841, but died a month later and was succeeded by Vice-president Tyler. The victory proved empty for the Whigs because Tyler pursued policies contrary to those of the Whigs which caused him to be declared a traitor and read out of the party.

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The report stated that the National Coin Company offered fabulous sums for specified coins, such as "silver dollars \$4,000," which was bait for the victims, who sold few coins to John Romano but who purchased a vast quantity of catalogs and had the company assess a number of coins at a dollar a coin no matter what the value of the coin was found to be. The release states further:

"In a memorandum to the postmaster-general recommending that a fraud order be issued against the National Coin Company, acting-Solicitor W. E. Kelly of the Postoffice Department, gives some interesting evidence on the operations of the company. Extracts from the memorandum follow:

"Evidence was produced in this case showing that on a yearly basis an average of 900 catalogues at 15 cents each were mailed daily.

"Despite the fact that Mr. Romano denied this statement, I am convinced from the evidence that approximately that number is being sold each day. "The evidence shows that these catalogues are purchased in lots of 50,000 at a cost of 1½ cents each.

"With the possible exception of one or two types of coins of a smaller denomination, Mr. Romano admitted that he has not paid the amount stated in his advertisement for any coins purchased by him. He stated that the large amounts promised in his advertisements were used merely as a 'feeler' to bring about the sending of coins to him."

### Elgin, Ill. Commemorative

The bill for the Elgin Centennial coin was signed by the President June 16. The proceeds of the sale of the coins are to be used for the erection of a heroic memorial to the first settlers of Elgin. The coin and the monuments are being designed by T. A. Rovelstad, a local sculptor of Elgin, Illinois.

The coins will be distributed by L. W. Hoffercker of El Paso, Texas, who had charge of the distribution of the Old Spanish Trail coin last year.

To do further honor to the founders of Elgin, the citizens plan to erect some time this year a bronze statue symbolizing the spirit which has settled this great inland empire of the Illini, and which built Elgin in the valley of the Fox River.

### Numismatist Uses Old Family Albums for Mounting

F. F. Nichols of Detroit, Mich., says that he uses the old fashioned plush covered photograph albums for mounting his coins. After procuring the albums from various antique shops he cuts celluloid or heavy cellophane sheets to fit the space from which the photo was removed. On these sheets he cuts double lines to hold his coins. Care must be taken not to get the lines too long. The cutting of the lines is done with a small inexpensive tool shaped like a penholder, having two parallel cutting blades a little less than one-fourth inch apart. Then a narrow strip of cellophane is fastened vertically across the coins. Cellophane cement is used to fasten the ends of this cellophane envelope, and the coins are then ready for mounting. Mr. Nichols likes this system because he says the sheets of these old albums are thick and the coins being in the openings, the album does not bulge even when filled. Large coins such as the silver dollar are mounted in this way. It is better, however, says Mr. Nichols, to use a heavier cellophane when heavier coins are mounted.

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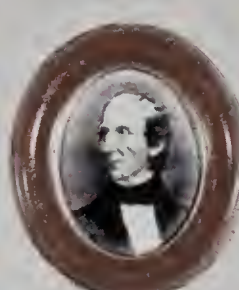
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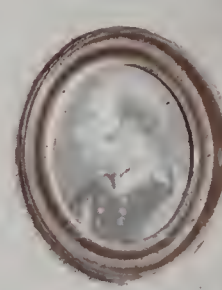
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# NUMISMATICS



## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

PAPERS read before clubs should be short, snappy, to the point, and above all, original, for "one thought but known to be thine own is worth a thousand gleaned in fields by others sown." Duplicate coins should be swapped with the idea of bettering yours — and the other fellow's — collection, not to help your purse. Give true information to inquiries; if in doubt, check up before answering. Evangelize your hobby by displaying your wares. Continue your battle against old man Friction by segregating your coins. Keep posted by reading numismatic news, and club conversation. Keep in step by following the rules.

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Just because the other fellow knows more about coins than you, because he has a larger collection than you, is no sign he is greater than you. Don't become discouraged. Remember he was once in your position, a beginner. He is now on his feet while you are still on your knees; collect and study like he did and you will rise to your feet and look great to someone still kneeling. As Prud'homme remarked, "The great are only great because we are on our knees. Let us rise up."

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Believe-it-or-not Ripley says a coin the size of a nickel made of star matter would weigh 200 pounds. Heavy weights get larger purses but I will stick to the light weight class and the smaller purses.

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The Alberta Province in Canada is issuing a new fangled scrip money. It is called the "Velocity" dollar. I will wager ten to one the few American dollars that pass through my hands travel with greater speed and velocity — away from, not towards me — than the Alberta's will ever attain. During these depression times we think of a dollar like we did as

kids of the fast mail train, "Here it comes, there it goes."

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If after trying unsuccessfully for a year to pick up a certain coin to fill in your set and having decided to buy it from a dealer, do not write him a terse business letter as though you were not anxious for the coin for fear of his taking advantage of your necessity to tilt the price. He is primarily a collector, otherwise he would not be a dealer. Appeal to his collecting instinct by telling him what you want, why you want it, and the trouble you have had trying to locate it. He will be more interested in helping you fill your set than making a sale, and if he hasn't the coin on hand, instead of your receiving a terse business reply "none in stock" it will read "none at hand at present; will try and locate it for you." When you hear from him again the price will be reasonable as he is more interested in helping a fellow collector than making a sale.

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Who's loony now? It is often said of a numismatist "he is crazy about his coins." The next time you are dubbed loony quote the eminent Dr. Herman F. Strongin of New York; "You can continue to function as a vital human being by not deserting your ideals of youth; you need not be relegated to an arm chair by the fireside or in the corner if you will but acquire a hobby which you can ride with enthusiasm. In a word, strive to keep "limber and loving and a little bit looney!"

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The two year fight of the coin clubs and collectors, regardless of opposition in certain quarters, for a better deal in the distribution of commemorative coins is bearing fruit. Some of the organizations now disposing of the coins are offering them direct to the collectors through the clubs and

are limiting the number sold to any one dealer. Some of them are even limiting the number sold to any one person. This is the way it should be and the way it should have been all along, and the way it would have been had not the efforts been handicapped by the lack of support by the very persons that should have and could have helped.

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You keep a watch dog for your house; you should have a watch-coin for your purse. An old coin is just the thing; it has been tried and proven true. A Kansas City lady reported the theft of her purse with \$35 in it, one coin being a lucky piece, a Palestine coin. Shortly after a negro was searched on suspicion, and the stolen money was identified by the Palestine coin. The lucky piece spoiled his alibi of a crap game.

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Occasionally one runs across some thoughtless persons who just will persist in handling the face of proof coins instead of holding them by their edges, and it seems talking and cautioning will not penetrate their thinking machine. The next time you run across a proof smearer, casually make a remark to someone else in his hearing that "a dumb-dell is recognized by the way he handles coins, etc." That will cure the habit as no one wants the reputation of being a dumb-Dora. As some one has said, "If preaching does no good — try ridicule."

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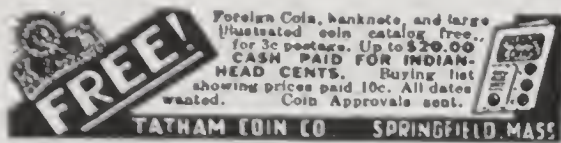
The Kansas City Post in describing relics of the Milwaukee Museum, amongst other things says:

"Centuries ago a Roman emperor named Valentinianus led his people out of a depression. A gold coin bearing a print of his face with the inscription The 'preserver of the State,' was struck in his honor. One of these coins is among the collection at the museum."

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Quoting the K. C. Star "A St. Louis collector of Fieldiana was amazed to learn, from the news of last week, that Eugene Field's widow was still living. Well," it continues, "sometimes things transpire in such a way that even collectors find out something about the things they're collecting."—EDITOR'S NOTE: *Since these notes were written, however, Field's widow has passed on.*

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One should know his hobbies. Coiners especially should know, as well as own their collections. Get acquainted with your coins. A non-understood coin is on a par with an unread book. An unacquainted collection is like an unfrequented library. Keep up with hobbies with HOBBIES:

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It is fortunate that the States do not date their tax tokens. Collecting them as to type is a job but as to dates would be a super-task.

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Big business houses and other large mailers are substituting, under government arrangements, stamping machines in lieu of postage stamps. Money is safe as there is no substitute. There may be checks and I. O. U's, but for each, there is real money behind it.

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A coin collection is an enduring commodity. Coin collecting will never go out of date. Money will never become obsolete. Other hobbies may

come and go but numismatics will go on indefinitely. The using of money is not a mere custom but a requisite function of civilization. It is not a fad but an inherent attribute of man, a part of him. Money and civilization are inter-dependent. They were born twins and have traveled the ages hand in hand. A coin collection symbolizes the thousands of years of man's evolution from the caveman to his present status. Look upon your coin collection with awe and reverence, not with "an eye for the dollar."

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"A pessimist," says G. B. Shaw, "is a man who thinks everybody as nasty as himself; and hates them for it." In numismatics you will find most all sorts of people, but mighty few pessimists. Every collector knows he will find rare coins in his change, it is just a matter of time; he knows he will get a swap for the very piece he needs, just a matter of perseverance. There is no room in numismatism for pessimism. An Optimist is bound to be kind, and "kindness," as Ching Chow says, "is the golden chain by which society is bound together." It is this kindness, this optimism, that marks every numismatist and optimist.

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"Let's get down to brass tacks" says the close figurer. By the way, has anyone a collection of these famous "brass tacks"? I have some sales tax I will trade for them.

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When things go wrong don't join the throng and be a pessimist; hold your seat tight, things'll be all right, continue an optimist, for that is the rule that is learned at school by each numismatist.

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# Recollections of An Old Collector

By THOMAS ELDER

## NOTES ON THE ROMAN COINAGES

### Caracalla

THE MOTHER of Caracalla was Julia Domna. His father was Septimius Severus. The surname Caracalla does not appear on his coins and appears to have been only a nickname, as was the name of Caligula given to Caius Caesar. Born at Lyons, (Lugdunum) Gaul, (France), A. D. 188, on about April 4 or 6, the name of Basianus from his maternal grandfather was given to him, according to Victor. In his youth he displayed a mild and lively temperament and was liked by both parents and the people, in contrast with his reputation for cruelty acquired during his late years. In A. D. 196, during his father's reign, when his parent had gone into Mesopotamia to conduct operations against Albinus, he stopped at Viminacium, now Serbia, and made his son a Caesar, and gave him the name, as pictured on his coins, viz. *M. Aurelius Antoninus*. He was in this year, on coins together with his father seated on the reverse, styled Prince Juventutis. The next year saw him a member of the pontifical college, when the title of Pontifex begins on his coins. Albinus being overthrown, he was styled Destinatus Imperator. In A. D. 198 he was called Augustus by his father and the army. He was in the Parthian campaign with Septimius Severus. He went to Antioch and to Egypt. Returning to Rome he married Plautilla. In the same year *Pius* begins to appear on his coins. In A. D. 203 titles of *Part. Max.* cease on on his coins. He was in a campaign in Great Britain where he served two years in war. A few of his coins style him *Brit* referring to this campaign. His father dying he tried to get the army to declare him sole emperor. He concluded a peace with the Caledonians. Geta and he returned to Rome with his father's ashes. Caracalla is supposed to have plotted his brother's life. The two brothers entered Rome together, bestowing favors on the soldiers, but in the midst of such festivities Caracalla murdered Geta in the arms of their mother, showing the violence of the times. He later bribed the soldiers with gifts to cover up his crime, when they were led to pronounce Geta his brother a public enemy, well rid of. He had put to death all those who had favored his brother, Geta.

His victims are said to have numbered thousands. He slew Papinius, prefect of the praetorian guards, also women of rank. His later life was filled with cruel acts, and he addicted

himself to the current vices and amusements — Chariot racing, combats of gladiators, wild animal combats, etc., served to amuse under his reign. He patronized the *circus maximus* at Rome. The title of *Felix*, (the happy), begins to appear on his coins, while *Germ* referring to supposed German victories, is added on some pieces. In A. D. 214, he undertook a German campaign. He then went into Thrace and wintered in Nicomedia. Some of the reverse legends on his silver coins read: *Rector Orbis, Mars Victor, T. P. R. VIII COS IIII PP, Pontif, TRP VIII, etc.* His coinage is varied, the silver the commonest, and his silver is found in very fine preservation. His history, numismatically and otherwise, is recorded at length and shall be referred to in another article in this column in a future issue.

### Colonel Green Left No Will?

Lowell Thomas, the other evening, announced something significant and interesting in the inability of relatives of Colonel Green, large collector of stamps and coins, and son of the famous Hetty, to find any will. Colonel Green had a sister who married a man named Wilks. The Colonel and his sister enjoyed many more luxuries than did their eccentric mother, Mrs. Green. It was rumored that the Colonel intended leaving his collections to the city in Massachusetts where he lived. Colonel Green was a public spirited citizen, generous to a fault. Stamp and coin collectors will await with interest the news about the disposition of his collections. We have already referred to that \$10,000 note which nestled in his collection of paper money, and which ate up \$600 worth of interest each year while held as a keepsake. The Colonel seemed the antithesis of his mother as to frugality. Here's hoping he did leave his collections to his native town and that they are not to be put on the market too freely or in too large lots thereby glutting it. However, usually the holders of big collections aren't giving them away when they do offer them to collectors, which is as it should be. Whether the will of Colonel Green is found or not will be a subject of the greatest interest to collectors in general.

### Rubber Money Manufacturer Seized

Holders of specimens of so-called "rubber money," which are crude and clumsy, satirical efforts in the way of souvenirs which stretch, are warned

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against offering the same for sale, even to collectors.

One Benjamin Wasserman, a souvenir manufacturer, of Norfolk Street, N. Y., who may have done a thriving business for a time in those of the denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000, was recently arrested by U. S. Secret service officers and, according to the Herald-Tribune, charged with counterfeiting, and locked up in the interim at police headquarters. Instead of "United States of America," his notes read, it is alleged "The Unique Skates of America." We hope it will not go too hard with Wasserman, as we are constrained to believe that he merely tried to market a few trinkets for souvenir collectors. However, we read that the reverse of his notes bore the plate of the Treasury Building, and "that part was skillfully engraved." Wasserman is stated to have wholesaled his souvenirs at the rate of \$15 for 1,000 pieces. Cheap enough for souvenirs. His aim, we hope, was to market a souvenir only and not to sell something which might be passed on the unwise and gullible.

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## GOT A BOOK?

By P. M. LANGE

HOW often have you heard the question? "I want to know all about them." How many of us have wished this could be done? There are thousands of volumes on coins, and thousands more needed to give us the information we frequently seek.

I have before me a little volume by Franciscue Ernest Brueckmann, issued in 1729 in Wolffenbuettel. It describes about 300 works on coins issued before this date, and I know of a good many that should be included but are not.

Many of these long since gone numismatists do themselves proud in their titles, telling us almost entirely what they intend to say on the front page. The dedications to their gracious patrons and rulers take up quite a few pages, but we can hardly blame them for this, for without their assistance many of these books would have never been written.

Most of these books were written in Latin, many in German and a few in French and Italian, but not one in English. I am translating a few of them rather freely for the delectation of our modern brotherhood.

*Adam Berg, New Coin Book, folio, Munic, 1604.* Somebody must have wanted a "book", 300 years ago.

*M. Adreas Beyer, Souls Treasure, wherein to find the greatest souls curiosities.* It shows many coins and applies them to sacred things, Leipzig, 1691.

*Burning Fire Mirror of the damned money changers, from a Lover but non possessor of old and new money, 1622.* Sounds rather up to date, but is 300 years old.

The auction business must have flourished then, too, since many catalogs are mentioned:

Catalogs of Curious and rare old Greek and Roman, sold in Gotha, 1715.

Catalog of medals, which was issued by Christian Wermuth in Gotha, 2 parts, 1698.

Catalog of a rare coin cabinet, wherein are contained medals, ducats and thalers showing sun, moon, etc., Leipzig and Dresden, 1709.

Catalog of divers rare Reichsthalers, ducats and medals that were sold in Hamburg at public auction, 1710.

Catalog of curious and rare silver medals which are sold daily under the hand at the Stack exchange in Hamburg, 1715.

Also many books on counterfeits: Moritz Cunonis, Uncovered swindle under the old and new Reichsthalers, Hamburg, 1702. By the same author

on old and new "Drittels," 1710.

Discourse, concerning the sales price of silver, in which is shown that it regulates itself according to the value of coins and with them rises and falls, Regensburg, 1685. It appears we had silver trouble then as now.

Infornati Fortunati Thesaurus Mundi, a short and thorough description to where the world's treasures have gone in the last 100 or more years. Wherein we not only can see the reason for the present great scarcity of money, but also how to help and remedy this, Printed in "Jammerthal" 1689. We ought to get this book and present it to the Treasury Department.

Gilbert, Theologic Coin Question. May a Christian government from time to time with a clear conscience devalue its coins to their own profit? Magdeburg, 1621. Now who brought that up?

M. Tob. Henckelii, Conscience kick against all usurers, money changers and minters, wherein is explained the triple question: Can a man leave his trade and with a clear conscience become a money dealer and profit by the present coin devaluation? Hayberstatt 1621. Must have been a communist, attacks the money trade.

Joh. Wollfg. Hilleri, Responsum Juris: May a debtor pay his creditor, who has helped him with full weight money, repay him today in debased coin? Stendal, 1623. What of it? Money is money.

Thom. Kymeir: Newly opened rarity cabinet of East Indian and foreign things, of wooden money and salt money. Happy people that do not know money. Hamburg 1705.

We may find much entertainment to delve into the past, also that money troubles are nothing new. Maybe, it's for our own good. David Harum may be right after all when he said: "Maybe some fleas are good for a dog, keeps his mind from worrying about being a dog."

### Numismatic Books at Auction

Four volumes on numismatics comprising, The History of Ancient and Modern Coinage, The American Bond Detector, Heath's Greatly Improved and Enlarged Infallible Government Counterfeit Detector, Description of U.S. Treasury Notes, sold at the Chicago Book and Art Auctions recently for a total of \$30.



# San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge Celebration

November 12, 13, 14, 1936

## COMMEMORATIVE HALF-DOLLARS

These coins will be minted at San Francisco and will be ready for distribution in a short time. This Committee is ready to accept orders, cash with order, at the following prices:

|                |             |             |        |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| 1 Coin .....   | \$1.65 each | Total ..... | \$1.65 |
| 2 Coins .....  | 1.60 each   | Total ..... | 3.20   |
| 3 Coins .....  | 1.58 each   | Total ..... | 4.74   |
| 5 Coins .....  | 1.56 each   | Total ..... | 7.80   |
| 10 Coins ..... | 1.55 each   | Total ..... | 15.50  |

Above Prices **Include** Packing, Postage and Insurance

For orders of more than 10 coins, please use the rate of 10 as a basis—for instance, 25 coins will take 2½ times the 10 rate. In order to assure delivery to all bona fide collectors, individual orders are limited to 100 coins each.

### SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE CELEBRATION

625 Market Street

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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# YORK COUNTY, MAINE TERCENTENARY

## Commemorative Half Dollars

This coinage is limited to 25,000.

We are now making immediate delivery at these prices, cash with order.

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|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
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| 4 Coins ..... | 1.57 each   | Total ..... | 6.28   |
| 5 Coins ..... | 1.56 each   | Total ..... | 7.80   |

10 Coins or more—\$1.55 each

Above prices include, packing, postage and insurance. 10,000 coins are reserved for residents of York County and the state of Maine, therefore the supply will be limited. Order at once, so you will not be disappointed.

**WALTER P. NICHOLS, Treasurer**

York County Tercentenary Commemorative Coin Commission

Address: York National Bank, Saco, Maine

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### Museum Publications

The New York State museums, the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, and the Buffalo, Society of Natural Sciences have each to their recent credit two worthwhile coin publications. The Rochester museum published a book on Commemorative Coins, which was described in a previous issue of HOBBIES, and a more recent compilation is "The Story of Money as Told by The Knox Collection" by Stuart Mosher for the Buffalo museum.

Through a chronology of the Knox collection, a gift of Mrs. Seymour H. Knox to the museum, Mr. Mosher gives a good account of the origin and development of money until the

establishment of standard monetary system.

Some splendid plates illustrate such classifications as "Coins of Ancient Greece," "Coins of Ancient Rome," "Coins of the Ancient World," "Famous Denominations in History and Literature," "Monies of the South Sea Islands," and others.

### Coin Notes

While in Austin, Tex., on June 12, President Roosevelt, pressed the button for the ground-breaking for the museum sponsored by the American Legion Texas Centennial Committee. The sale of the Texas commemorative coin enabled the committee to procure funds for the founding of the museum.

According to a late announcement the new Edward VIII coinage is not expected to be in circulation until a few weeks before the coronation next May. The announcement stated that King Edward VIII was then posing for new designs. As at Jubilee time last year, a number of special coronation coins will probably be minted also. There will, it is predicted be four pieces, five pounds (\$25), two pounds, (\$10), one pound, (\$5), and the half sovereign.

Over his "most vigorous protest," the profile of Senator Carter Glass has been selected for the design of a new 50 cent piece commemorating the 150th anniversary of his home city, Lynchburg, Va.

One of the designs on the new commemorative to celebrate the centennial anniversary of Bridgeport, Conn., will be a profile of a former illustrious resident, P. T. Barnum. Twenty-five thousand of the new coins are provided in the issue.

### Death of Charles Markus

The meeting of the American Numismatic Association which was held in Minneapolis during the latter part of August was saddened by the death of Charles Markus, 79, of Davenport, Ia., who was taken while at the convention. Mr. Markus, who was a past president of the association, never missed the society's annual convention.

### Fall Gardening

It sometimes pays big dividends to dig up the vegetable garden when the Missus heckles you about it, for Foster Evans, a Missouri druggist, unearthed a 1880 \$10 gold piece in his radish bed. Needless to say he forgot about raising radishes and began to spade the entire yard.

### DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1936

| Denomination                          | Philadelphia   | San Francisco | Denver       | Total Value    | Total Pieces |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| <b>SILVER</b>                         |                |               |              |                |              |
| Half dollars—regular .....            | \$ 725.00      | \$570,000.00  | .....        | \$ 570,725.00  | 1,141,450    |
| Half dollars—Calif.-Pacific Exp. .... | .....          | .....         | \$ 90,046.00 | 90,046.00      | 180,092      |
| Quarter dollars .....                 | 983,338.00     | .....         | .....        | 983,338.00     | 3,933,352    |
| Dimes .....                           | 697,129.70     | 56,000.00     | 225,000.00   | 978,129.70     | 9,781,297    |
| Total silver .....                    | \$1,681,192.70 | \$626,000.00  | \$315,046.00 | \$2,622,238.70 | 15,036,191   |
| <b>MINOR</b>                          |                |               |              |                |              |
| Five-cent nickels .....               | \$ 405,095.10  | \$ 25,750.00  | \$130,000.00 | \$ 560,845.10  | 11,216,902   |
| One-cent bronze .....                 | 150,920.02     | .....         | 4,000.00     | 154,920.02     | 15,492,002   |
| Total minor .....                     | \$ 556,015.12  | \$ 25,750.00  | \$134,000.00 | \$ 715,765.12  | 26,708,904   |
| Total domestic coinage                | \$2,237,207.82 | \$651,750.00  | \$449,046.00 | \$3,338,003.82 | 41,745,095   |

### DOMESTIC COINAGE FOR JULY, 1936

| Denomination                | Philadelphia   | San Francisco | Denver       | Total Value    | Total Pieces |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| <b>SILVER</b>               |                |               |              |                |              |
| Half dollars—regular ....   | \$ 550,153.00  | \$160,000.00  | .....        | \$ 710,153.00  | \$ 1,420,306 |
| Half dollars—commemorative: |                |               |              |                |              |
| Cincin. Musical Center      | 2,502.50       | 2,503.00      | 2,502.50     | 7,508.00       | 15,016       |
| Cleveland Centennial        | 12,507.50      | .....         | .....        | 12,507.50      | 25,015       |
| Wisconsin Centennial        | 12,507.50      | .....         | .....        | 12,507.50      | 25,015       |
| Quarter dollars .....       | 967,175.50     | .....         | .....        | 967,175.50     | 3,868,702    |
| Dimes .....                 | 1,450,060.40   | .....         | 112,000.00   | 1,562,060.40   | 15,620,604   |
| Total silver .....          | \$2,994,906.40 | \$162,503.00  | \$114,502.50 | \$3,271,911.90 | \$20,974,658 |
| <b>MINOR</b>                |                |               |              |                |              |
| Five-cent nickels .....     | \$ 841,630.00  | \$ 35,000.00  | \$236,000.00 | \$1,112,630.00 | \$22,252,600 |
| One-cent bronze .....       | 166,669.00     | .....         | .....        | 166,669.00     | 16,666,900   |
| Total minor .....           | \$1,008,299.00 | \$ 35,000.00  | \$236,000.00 | \$1,279,299.00 | \$38,919,500 |
| Total dom. coinage.         | \$4,003,205.40 | \$197,503.00  | \$350,502.50 | \$4,551,210.90 | \$59,894,158 |

### COINAGE OF THE UNITED STATES, BY MINTS, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 1936

| Denomination                | PHILADELPHIA MINT |                 | SAN FRANCISCO MINT |                | DENVER MINT |                | TOTAL       |                 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|
|                             | Pieces            | Value           | Pieces             | Value          | Pieces      | Value          | Pieces      | Value           |
| <b>SILVER</b>               |                   |                 |                    |                |             |                |             |                 |
| Dollars .....               | 1,439,000         | \$ 1,439,000.00 | .....              | .....          | .....       | .....          | 1,439,000   | \$ 1,439,000.00 |
| Half dollars—Regular .....  | 9,058,168         | 4,529,084.00    | 4,994,000          | \$2,497,000.00 | 1,901,400   | \$ 950,700.00  | 15,953,568  | \$ 7,976,784.00 |
| Half Dollars—commemorative: |                   |                 |                    |                |             |                |             |                 |
| Arkansas Centennial .....   | 13,014            | 6,507.00        | 15,518             | 7,759.00       | 15,515      | 7,757.50       | 44,047      | 22,023.50       |
| Calif.-Pacific Exp. ....    | .....             | .....           | 250,132            | 125,066.00     | 180,092     | 90,046.00      | 430,224     | 215,112.00      |
| Daniel Boone .....          | 20,016            | 10,008.00       | 7,010              | 3,505.00       | 7,008       | 3,504.00       | 34,034      | 17,017.00       |
| Old Spanish Trail .....     | 10,008            | 5,004.00        | .....              | .....          | .....       | .....          | 10,008      | 5,004.00        |
| Oregon Trail .....          | 10,006            | 5,003.00        | 5,006              | 2,503.00       | .....       | .....          | 15,012      | 7,506.00        |
| Providence, R. I. ....      | 20,013            | 10,006.50       | 15,011             | 7,505.50       | 15,010      | 7,505.00       | 50,034      | 25,017.00       |
| Texas Centennial .....      | 20,016            | 10,008.00       | 20,016             | 10,008.00      | 20,014      | 10,007.00      | 60,046      | 30,023.00       |
| Quarter dollars .....       | 31,082,070        | 7,770,517.50    | 6,044,000          | 1,511,000.00   | 7,049,600   | 1,762,400.00   | 44,175,670  | 11,043,917.50   |
| Dimes .....                 | 46,882,015        | 4,688,201.50    | 9,780,000          | 978,000.00     | 9,192,000   | 919,200.00     | 65,854,015  | 6,585,401.50    |
| Total silver .....          | 88,554,326        | \$18,473,339.50 | 21,130,693         | \$5,142,346.50 | 18,380,639  | \$3,751,119.50 | 128,065,658 | \$27,366,805.50 |
| <b>MINOR</b>                |                   |                 |                    |                |             |                |             |                 |
| Five-cent nickels .....     | 62,232,614        | \$ 3,111,630.70 | 13,430,000         | \$ 671,500.00  | 10,240,000  | \$ 512,000.00  | 85,902,614  | \$ 4,295,130.70 |
| One-cent bronze .....       | 199,830,714       | 1,998,307.14    | 29,192,000         | 291,920.00     | 22,800,000  | 228,000.00     | 251,822,714 | 2,518,227.14    |
| Total minor .....           | 262,063,328       | \$ 5,109,937.84 | 42,622,000         | \$ 963,420.00  | 33,040,000  | 740,000.00     | 337,725,328 | \$ 6,813,357.84 |
| Total coinage .....         | 350,617,654       | \$23,583,277.34 | 63,752,693         | \$6,105,766.50 | 51,420,639  | \$4,491,119.50 | 465,790,986 | \$34,180,163.34 |





Reverse and obverse of the York County, Me., Commemorative Half Dollar.

## York County Commemorative

The York County, Me., commemorative half dollar is in every way a State of Maine product, designed by a Maine man, the obverse and reverse emblematical of York County.

The obverse shows Brown's Garrison, one of the first stockades in existence, situated on the Saco river in Saco, Me. The reverse is the seal of York County. The seal is a red cross in a white shield and in the upper left corner is the pine tree, emblematical of Maine, the pine tree state. Over the shield was the date 1636, but as this date was opposite the 1936, this is eliminated on the coin.

Around the edge is written, "York County, The First County in Maine." At that early date, the thought of adding "Maine" after York County was overlooked, and not essential, as this was the only York County in ex-

istence. Today, there are other York Counties, but, Maine's York County, will always be the first.

The artist, was Walter H. Rich, of Portland, Me., and Falmouth Fore-side. Mr. Rich is nationally known for his remarkable drawings of wild life, which show the greatest of detail and exactness of color.

The models were made by G. S. Pa-cetti Company of Boston, Mass. These were carved in solid brass and were a masterpiece. It was the first time such models had been submitted to the Treasury Department and to the United States Mint for a commemorative half dollar which caused many most favorable comments.

Twenty-five thousand of the York County Commemorative half dollars were minted, and 10,000 were reserved for the residents of York County and the State of Maine.

## San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge Coin

On June 26, 1936 the bill introduced in Congress by Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California, received the approval of President Roosevelt.

According to present plans of the committee, the issue will consist of 100,000. Should there be a remainder unsold, which is not considered likely, plans state that the balance will be returned to the mint at a specified date.

The design for the new coin, which has been made by Jacques Schneir, famous young California sculptor, will show the California Grizzly Bear facing forward on the obverse, and on the reverse the great Bridge stretching across San Francisco Bay.

This coin commemorates the completion of the longest bridge in the world.

## Battle of Antietam Commemorative

The Washington County, Md., Historical Society as the sponsoring agent for the 1937 celebration of "The Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of The Battle of Antietam" has announced that the proposed coinage and issuance of a special commemorative coin in honor of the celebration has been deferred until February or March of 1937. All checks and money orders already received here have been returned to the senders, the announcement states. The committee reports further that no priority of reservations will be established except that members of the Washington County Historical Society will be given a position of priority in reservations, to each of whom not more than ten coins will be allotted.

## CLASSIFIED AD RATES

- WANTED TO BUY—Two cents per word for 1 time; 3 times for the price of 2; 12 times for the price of 6.
- FOR SALE—Five cents per word for 1 time; 4c per word for 3 times (multiply each word by 12); 3c per word for 6 times (multiply each word by 18); 2c per word for 12 times (multiply each word by 24).
- In figuring the cost count each word and initial as a word. No checking copies furnished on classified. Cash must accompany order. Please type your copy if possible, or write legibly.

## WANTED TO BUY

CIRCULATED LINCOLN, Indian Eagle and large copper cents wanted. Buying list. 5 cents.—Ambrose, 1364 E. 68th St., Cleveland, Ohio. ap12084

CASH PAID for Broken Bank notes, all states, especially Maine and New England States.—Deitrick, 322 Libby Ave., Richmond, Va. n12571

WANTED — Old U. S. coins, especially large cents, half-cents, commemorative half-dollars and gold. Will buy or trade.—Charles McLean, Oteen, N. C. o3001

WANTED FOR CASH—Michigan Broken Bank Bills and Scrip.—Harold L. Bowen, 818 Lawrence Ave., Detroit, Michigan. A. N. A. 4915 je73

WE WILL PAY 15 cents each for all (1909 "S" mint) U. S. Indian Head Cents. "National" Coins. 71 S. Lake Ave., Troy, N. Y. ox

OLD MONEY WANTED. List 10c. Walter F. Allgeyer, Box 192, Newark, New Jersey. s12651

COINS WANTED—Any kind, any condition, any quantity.—Henry Lacks, 1936 Franklin, St. Louis, Mo. s12063

UNCIRCULATED Commemorative half-dollars, state best price in first letter, no offers made, private collector. — W. C. Chambers, 106 North Jefferson St., Harvard, Illinois. d3001

WANTED — United States Commemorative coins, uncir. coins, Indian and Lincoln cents, all mint marks paper money. Send wholesale prices.—Moore, 1218 North 52nd Street, Philadelphia, Penna. o184

WANTED FOR CASH—U. S. Colonial and Continental coins—no amount too large or small.—Federal Coin Co. 636 Princeton Place, Washington, D. C. d369

UNCIRCULATED United States coins wanted by private collector. State price.—Dr. Frank Chase, 416 West 8th St., Los Angeles, Calif. ja12042

COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS —Pair of Daniel Boones 1934-1935 S. and D. mints. Give price and condition. H. W. Griggs, Postoffice Box 455, Madison, Connecticut. n3001

I WILL BUY ALL INDIAN HEAD pennies. 10c brings list of premiums 1 pay. Sidney Carlton, 1931 Hillcrest Dr., Los Angeles, Calif. n305

WANTED—Society of the Cincinnati, medals, Eagle decorations.—E. Decker, 29 Union Ave., Lynbrook, N. Y. .ap12081

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## U. S. Coins

## Commemorative Coins

## Notes - Supplies

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St. Augustine, Fla.  
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**WANTED**—The following Commemorative Half Dollars in strictly uncirculated condition. Will pay cash. Maine, \$2.75; Pilgrim, 1821, \$2.25; Huguenot, \$2.00; Monroe, \$1.40; California, \$1.75. All correspondence answered. — J. C. Stephens, 1702 S. Main, Elkhart, Indiana. o3061

**WANTED:** Iowa and other Obsolete Bank Notes and Scrip. Correspondence invited with private collectors. Have some stamps and coins to exchange for Notes. L. H. Ryan, Box 553 Ottumwa, Iowa. n3021

**WANTED TO BUY** — Commemorative Half Dollars; Large Cents; 2c and 3c Pieces; Fractional Currency; Broken Bank Bills; C.S.A. Notes, etc. Circulated or uncirculated. Highest prevailing cash prices paid. Can use wholesale job lots. — Tatham Coin Co., Springfield 10, Mass. ja12864

**CINCINNATI COMMEMORATIVE** half-dollars wanted in sets. State price and condition. — Frederick G. Weisser, 85 Maple Drive, Great Neck, N. Y. o124

**UNCIRCULATED** Commemorative Half Dollars all issues. Give quantities and prices in first letter. — Hugh C. Brown, Asheville, N. C. d3001

**COMMEMORATIVE HALF - DOLLARS** wanted, also large cents. Make best offer in first letter, stating condition of coins. — Edward W. Cockey, 223 Hopkins Road, Baltimore, Maryland. ap12882

**WANTED** — Any broken bank bills stamped or penned, counterfeit, altered, worthless, broken, etc. Also genuine bills from all states for my collection. Correspondence solicited. — Bernard T. Connor, 1329 Lewis Ave., Long Beach, Calif. o3051

**ANY UNITED STATES** coins struck off-center. Duplicate freak coins and other scarce U. S. coins for sale. — W. E. Hamlin, 249 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y. au37

**GOLD COINS** wanted for my collection. Give full details and price asked. — Karl Stecher, 312 Armory Place, Louisville, Ky. d12462

**U. S. AND FOREIGN** Commemorative gold and silver coins. Wanted. Indian head cents, 1869-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78. Pay cash. Write me, what have you? — William J. Schultz, 419 First National Bank Building, Cincinnati, Ohio. my12084

**COMMEMORATIVE COINS**, U. S. and Foreign collections wanted. — T. Albert, H-1264 Montrose, Chicago, Ill. ja12021

## DEALERS' AND SELLERS' MART

**TAX TOKEN CATALOGUE**—Describing all tokens issued. Complete, necessary aid for collectors.—25c. Magee, 6388 Overbrook, Philadelphia, Penna. o6603

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**FORTY INDIAN HEAD PENNIES**, thirty dates, \$1.00. — Steinhauer's Antiques, Appleton, Wisconsin. o155

**OLD COINS WANTED**—We pay the world's highest prices. Send dime and get the illustrated coin list. — National Industries, Distributor, W. L. Kitts, Whipple, Ohio. op

**CALIFORNIA GOLD TOKENS**, 25c size, 22c; 50c size, 48c. Chinese coins, 15c, 25c. Mexican 25c currency, 15c. 10 different S mint Lincoln cents, 25c. Coin book giving values all U. S. coins, 50c. Wanted—All U. S. commemorative half dollars and gold coins. State quantity and prices wanted. — The Coin Shop, 2510 Chester Street, Alameda, California. o1072

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**COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS** for sale—1918 Illinois, \$1.40; 1934 Maryland, \$2.00; 1935-"34" Boone, \$2.50; 1935 San Diego, \$2.00; 1925 Stone Mountain, \$1.25. All postpaid. — Edward W. Cockey, 228 Hopkins Road, Baltimore, Maryland. ap12447

**COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS**, all uncirculated — Columbian 1892, \$1.25; 1893 \$1.00; Pan-Pacific, \$18.00; Lincoln, \$1.50; Maine, \$7.50; Pilgrim 1920, \$2.50, 1921, \$6.50; Grant, \$2.50; Monroe, \$3.00; Walloon, \$4.50; Lexington, \$2.50; Fort Vancouver, \$8.50; California, \$3.50; Stone Mountain, \$1.50; Norse, \$2.50; Norse thin, \$6.50; Sesqui, \$1.75; Oregon 1926 S and P mints, \$2.00 each; Bennington, \$4.50; Hawaii, \$12.50; Oregon 1928, \$6.50; Oregon 1933, \$8.50; Maryland, \$2.00; Boone 1934, \$4.00; 1935 P, D and S mints each, \$4.50; 1935 with 1934 small date, \$2.50; Connecticut, \$7.50; Texas 1935 S, D and P (set of 3), \$7.50; Hudson, \$10.00; Spanish Trail, \$7.50; San Diego 1935, \$2.00; Arkansas 1935 P, \$4.00; S and D each, \$4.50; 1936 Boone P, \$2.00; D and S each, \$4.50; Rhode Island set of 3, \$11.00; 1936 Texas set of 3, \$7.50; 1936 Oregon, \$8.00, S mint, \$10.00; Great Lakes, \$2.50; Long Island, \$1.75. I do not issue any lists owing to continuous change of stock, but have a fine stock of U. S. and Foreign coins always on hand and solicit the want lists of serious collectors. — Wm. Rabin, 905 Filbert St., Phila. Pa. tfc

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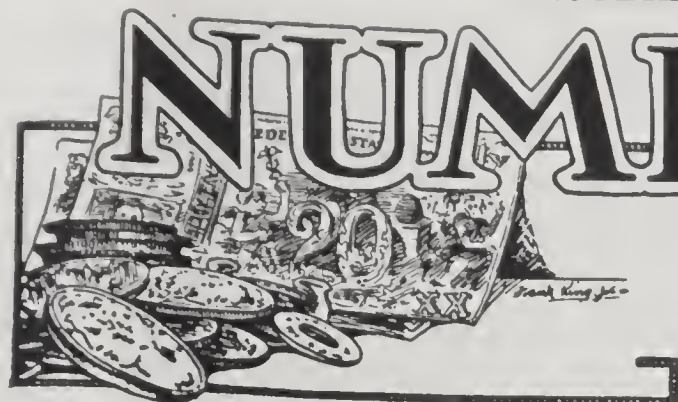
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# NUMISMATICS



## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

### Notgelds

AFTER the World War (about 1921) German districts were sorely pressed for a medium of exchange and the cities, towns, villages, hamlets, and even small isolated communities resorted to emergency money or "local currency". It consisted of paper scrip called Notgelds and issued mostly in 25, 50 and 75 pfennigs and 1 mark. This scrip circulated only in the immediate vicinity in which it was issued and each small district had its own particular style of scrip, consequently there were many, many different types and designs. These scrips usually depicted some German historic or legendary event, and as there were so many different types issued the Notgeld currency furnishes a review of German legends and history. In many instances there were printed under the

design a brief account of the incident depicted, but as there are so many dialects represented it is difficult for even a native German to translate them all. The legendary pictures on the scrip are of course familiar, as a rule, only to the German folks, but there is one of rare exception, that from the little village of Hameln (Hamlin).

Hameln as you know was the scene of that old bed-time story of the pied-piper. We wonder if the pied has anything to do with the modern expression "Pie-eyed". Any way this gentleman achieved fairy tale fame by ridding Hameln of its rats and when the town officials wouldn't pay the bill he walked through the streets and piped a tune that made all the children follow him as the rats had done on the previous occasion. Well it seems that the population of the

little hamlet of Hameln was handicapped for several years due to the loss of the young generation. But in the year 1600 one of the ladies of that town defied the piper by giving birth to seven children at one time. The inscription on the notgeld bills and the pictures tell the story of this event that caused as much of a sensation in Germany as the Dionne quintuplets did in Canada.

The following is from Ripley's "Believe It or Not" in reference to this case:

### Business for the Pied Piper

In the quaint old town of Hameln, famous for the legend of the Pied Piper who enticed away all the children, there is an old house bearing a tablet telling of one Anna Roemer who made a lot of trouble for him. It records that:

Anna Roemer  
Gave Birth Here

to

7

Children

2 Boys and 5 Girls

On January 9th, 1600

### EXAMPLE OF GERMAN NOTGELD MONEY

OBVERSE  
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25

EMERGENCY MONEY OF THE CITY  
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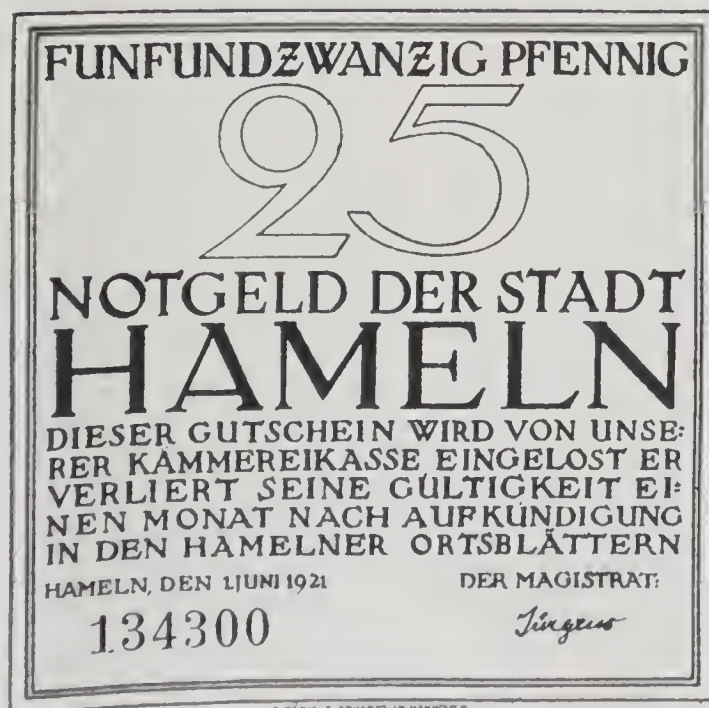
*Hamlin, June 1, 1921*

(sig.) *The Magistrate.*

### REVERSE:

#### MEMORIAL TO THE SEVENLINGS

*Lived here a citizen by the name of Thiele Roemer. His wife, Anna Breyers, well known. When one counted the 1600th year, on the 9th of January at three o'clock in the morning, there were borne to her two little boys and five little girls, all at the same time. They have also had the holy baptism. On the following 20th they died. God give them grace which is awaiting all believers.*





Illustrations for this explanation regarding Notgelds are furnished through the courtesy of Raymond J. Walker, New London, Conn. Translations by Max Morganroth of Kansas City, Mo.

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One-I-See, Two-I-See, . . . Ten-nessee. Memphis of the state with the double letters has fallen in line with the organization of a new coin club and is off with a good start. From all reports 10-S-C has gone numismatic. Good luck and best wishes to the Memphis bunch.

★ ★ ★

Transportation tokens are being taken more seriously than most people suppose. It is not merely a fad; it is a history of our railway and street car systems. The question is, shall it become a branch of numismatics or will it go it alone? The question now that is often spoken, shall we absorb the street car tokens?

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It's a lost gale indeed that doesn't leave some good account of itself in its wake. All this foreign "wars and rumors of wars" talk in the papers has aroused an interest in lands across the seas and collecting foreign coins has taken on renewed interest. Dealers report that inquiries and sales in alien coinage have grown steadily the past three years. Coin Clubs also report that foreign exhibits are on the increase. Many of the old Roman and Grecian coins can still be bought at a song, and it would be well for collectors to get in at the minimum.

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We have traded the family doctor for a fly swatter, the buggy whip for an accelerator, the old oaken bucket for a germ proof paper cup, but we still make love in the same old way, and after three thousand years are still using metallic coins. About the only difference in ancient and modern coins are the inscriptions. Some of the old coins show crude workmanship, but it is claimed the old Grecian coins outdo the present ones in both beauty and workmanship.

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Discouraged because you have been unable to complete the set you started out to assemble you have laid your coin collection away with a failure's what's-the-use. Quitting-the-job accomplishes nothing, keeping-at-it gets results. Get out that collection, stick out your chin, grin, begin a'gin.

★ ★ ★

From Tid-Bits we read: Charwoman (to neighbor with whom she is having a spat) "What I say is, there is ladies and ladies—an' you ain't neither."

When we meet up with a coin collector that collects haphazardously, keeps his coins all together in a bag,

never reads numismatic news, boasts how much he knows about numismatics, we feel like saying "What I says is, there is collectors and collectors—an' you ain't neither."

★ ★ ★

P. T. Barnum, the king of showmen, said "the American people like to be humbugged," or was it, "there is a sucker born every minute?" A commemorative coin will soon be issued bearing the likeness of Mr. Barnum. Is the Barnum commemorative coin gotten out as a warning or an invitation?

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Numismatics plays its part in etymology. An exchange says: "The word 'gazette' comes from the 16th century, when readers of the government newspaper in Venice had to pay a coin called a gazetta."

★ ★ ★

In certain parts of Brazil eggs are used for money. No place for a coin collector! who wants a collection of old eggs? No fun looking at a collection while holding the nose.

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Am asked if 1919 Philadelphia cents are scarce. There were only 392,021,000 of them minted. Scarcely any scarcity in those figures.

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At the International Congress of Numismatists in England a paper was read by Dr. Fr. Heichelheim on Wirtschafthistorische Beitrage Zur Klassischbellenischen und zur hellenistischen Munztastistik. Try that one on your pianola.—*Daily Mail (Eng.)*

★ ★ ★

Back in the "pull down your vest and wipe off your chin" days coin collectors talked American. They did not have to consult a numismatic dictionary to know the meaning of terms used. To them the "Obverse and Reverse" was heads and tails. "Exergue and Field" was the smooth surface. "Inscription" was the words. "Fillet Head" was hair tied up. "Flowing Hair" was hair untied. "In-cuse", there was no such animal.

#### A Silver Quarter

One of the man in our luncheon group brings back an odd story from the Canal Zone. He offered a Hindu merchant at Colon twelve dollars for twelve yards of good silk priced at nearly two dollars a yard. The merchant refused, but called him back as he was going out.

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"But why?"

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## The Pillars of Hercules

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

**T**HE Pillars of Hercules are the ancient Calpe and Abyla; the former is at Gibraltar and the latter is at Ceuta, Morocco.

Ancient myths tell us that many years ago Hercules, a Grecian hero of gigantic powers, undertook to accomplish twelve superhuman tasks in order that he might become immortal. One of these tasks necessitated the capture of a herd of oxen belonging to Geryon, a famous monster having three heads and three bodies. Geryon lived on the island of Gades (Cadiz) which is said to have become part of the great Iberian peninsula due to alluvial changes. Hercules went to Gades, killed Geryon, and carried off his herd of oxen. However, while on his way to Gades, Hercules was impeded by a mountain that separated the Mediterranean Sea from the Atlantic Ocean; therefore he separated the mountain thereby creating two mountains and a strait between them that made a waterway between the Mediterranean and the Atlantic. Today we know the waterway as the Strait of Gibraltar; and although the ancients also knew the mountains on either side of the strait as Calpe and Abyla, we know them as Gibraltar and Ceuta or the Pillars of Hercules.

The Pillars of Hercules were first visited by the Phoenicians about 1100 B.C. It is only natural that the Phoenicians took to the sea; for the mountains in their homeland prevented them from extending their domains to the west, and the forests of Lebanon supplied them with good lumber for shipbuilding. Their ships dotted the Mediterranean and they went far and wide in search of precious metals. They were especially eager to find tin, which they first mined on the Iberian (Spanish) peninsula, for the making of bronze. It is said that the Phoenicians erected silver columns on the Pillars of Hercules to mark the limits of navigation. In instances where today one would say, "I will follow you to the end of the world." The ancients would have said, "I will follow you even to the Pillars of Hercules." In those days these rocks were the farthest limits of the habitable world.

The pillar on the left as one leaves the Mediterranean when going into the Atlantic is Ceuta, Morocco, a well-fortified Spanish possession in Africa. Years ago the Romans had built a colony on the site and from the group of seven hills named it Ad Septem Fratres. One of the most prominent hills in Mount Acho, the

ancient Abyla, and the specific location of one of the Pillars of Hercules. The city of Ceuta was one of the thriving marts possessed by the Moors, and is said to have been the site of a paper-making establishment introduced there by a Moor who learned the art in China. In 1415 the Portuguese took Ceuta, and in turn lost it to Spain in 1580, in whose possession it has since remained in spite of sieges by the Moors in 1694-1720 and 1732. It serves as a very important African presidio or military settlement and penal colony.

The pillar opposite Ceuta is Gibraltar, the ancient Calpe. At about 710, Tarik, a Moorish leader, crossed the strait of eighteen miles and conquered Spain. In his honor the name of Gebel Tarik (Mount Tarik) was given the lofty mountain, which, through a corruption of its former name is now known as Gibraltar. The similarity of the names is evident. In 1309 Gibraltar was taken by the Castilians and regained by the Moors in 1333. In 1502 it was taken by Spain and remained in her possession until it was captured by the combined Dutch and English forces in 1704 and ceded to Great Britain by the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713. The latter was a climax resulting over the attempt on the part of Louis XIV to maintain Philip, a French prince, on the throne of Spain in defiance of pledges given to England, Austria, and Holland. France lost Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and the Hudson Bay country in America as a result of the conflict.

Although she made no alliance with the Americans during the American Revolution, Spain entered the war against England in 1779 in an attempt to regain Gibraltar and some other lost possessions. Spain besieged Gibraltar for three years, seven months, and twelve days but failed and gave up the siege at the signing of the preliminaries of peace in February, 1783. And Gibraltar remains a British possession.

Further, it is interesting to know that some old Spanish dollars are known as pillar dollars because of a design on the reverse which shows two pillars representing the Pillars of Hercules. The pillars are on either side of the arms of Castile and Leon and are entwined with a scroll in such fashion that it has given rise to the theory that the dollar sign originated as a result of symbols made in imitation of the scroll entwined about the Pillars of Hercules. Some of the dates of Spanish pesos on which the design may be seen are



1773-1788. The pillar dollar I have before me is dated 1789 and bears the bust of Carolus (Charles) IV. Some of the silver coins of the Spanish vice royalty of Mexico bear the design as early as 1737.

**Bolender Returns From European Visit**

M. H. Bolender, well known coin dealer of Orangeville, Ill., has recently returned from a summer vacation in Europe, where he visited historic spots in Scandinavia, Denmark, Germany, Czecho-Slovakia, Austria, Belgium, France and England. Naturally he visited the best coin collections of Europe, all the national collections and studied for some days in the leading museums, particularly in the British Museum collection, which has been assembled largely through the gifts of wealthy and important collectors over a period of some two hundred years.

Since returning Mr. Bolender has scheduled an auction for October 24. The sale comprises the James C. Miller collection which is rich in United States and Pioneer gold coins, U. S. half dollars, quarters, dimes, half-dimes, cents. That Mr. Miller was thorough in his collecting is shown in a group of twenty half dollars of the same date, 1795, but with all different die varieties, some of which are very rare.

**Recollections of an Old Collector**  
By THOMAS ELDER

**Story of a 1799 U. S. Cent**

THE story of how one of the finest, if not the finest, 1799 cents was discovered and sold, is worth telling. This choice coin was discovered by some unknown person in London, and taken by him to the late A. H. Baldwin, who bought it. The next installment in its history becomes more interesting, for Mr. Baldwin commissioned a special representative to take that cent alone, with no other coins, and make a trip by steamer to the United States to find the best purchaser for it. He had evidently written one New England dealer about the cent and that it was coming to America. It was taken straight to this Yankee dealer and sold to him for \$1,000. Then began a correspondence with three of the biggest cent collectors in the country. They got their heads together, those three and decided to hold offers at \$1,000 and pay no more for it. That resulted in a stalemate and the cent was not sold. But one of this trio of collectors got too confounded anxious for the cent. He itched to possess it, and

**Gettysburg Coin**  
Frank Vittor, internationally known sculptor, of Pittsburgh, Pa., has been commissioned by the Pennsylvania State Commission to design the obverse and reverse sides of the Gettysburg Commemorative half-dollars soon to be minted by the federal government.

The suggested designs of the Pittsburgh sculptor were selected from fourteen suggestions submitted to the Commission. Before announcing its selection the Commission conferred with the Pennsylvania Art Commission and received the approval of the sculpturing committee of the latter group of Mr. Vittor's suggestions.

One side of the new coin will be emblematic of the observance in 1938 of the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg and the other side, showing the rugged, heroic head and shoulders of a Union and a Confederate soldier, will be emblematic of the reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic and the United Confederate Veterans to be held in Gettysburg during the anniversary observance in 1938.

Paul L. Roy, executive secretary of the Pennsylvania State Commission, states that more than half of the issue has been taken thus far and that he expects the entire issue to be sold out before the first of the year.

apparently forgot about the other two collectors. He went to a well known New York dealer and quietly asked him to "get that cent of 1799 for me." He got it and it is well known that \$2500 was paid for it, the world's record price for a cent of any old date. The writer feels sure this is the first time the actual account of the history of that 1799 cent has been related. HOBBIES Magazine is enterprising and deserves to get the scoop.

**Cheap Ancient Coins**

Neither the rarest ancient or mediaeval coins are cheap, but many of the less rare coins of these classes are indeed cheap. In fact their prices have not advanced with the prices of commodities. What is the cheapest

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## RECOLLECTIONS OF AN OLD COLLECTOR

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ancient coin? A Roman small bronze of the Constantine family, from A.D. 317 to 336. Constantine I seems to have been the busiest of these rulers in making coins. He minted coins all over Europe of that time and in Egypt, Syria and England. The Romans held England for a long period, and the mint marks M.L. and P.L.N. are well known although not the commonest of Constantine coins. Other common Roman coins to be had for as low as 25 cents include Constantine II, Probas, Gallienus, Claudius Gothicus, Aurelian, and others, who ruled around 300 A.D. Based on 300 A.D., we have here coins over 1600 years old, an age causing one to grow dizzy in contemplation, and at a cost which seems ridiculous when the prices of modern popular stamps

and coins are considered.

The second size Roman bronze coin of Emperors who struck a plentiful coinage are also cheap. Those like Constantine Chlorus, Maximinus Hercules and Galerius Maximianus, are to be had in perfect condition for from 50 to 60 cents, an absurdly low price for any relic of man and over 1600 years old.

The cheapest Roman silver coins are the commoner issues of denarii of the Republic, and rulers like Caracalla, Gordian the younger, Septimius Severus, Postumus and others. The former cost from 50 cent to \$1, while later rulers run from 35 to 75 cents for ordinary varieties. This class includes many types. From the above one may glean that the foundation for a collection of ancient coins may be laid by an outlay of not over \$25. Looking up the historical records of the issuers of such a collection will prove fascinating and instructive.

and thickness for the most part, than those of Rome. The Sicilian medals are of very fine workmanship, particularly one with the head of Ceres, and on the reverse a Victory crowning a figure in a car.

Modern medals begin in the 14th century, but few were struck prior the 16th century. An affectation of persons are freely introduced after the 16th century. An affectation of the classical takes from their value as illustrations of contemporary life. Most European countries possess a succession of medals from the 15th century onwards. The best in point of design of the 15th century medals are those wrought by Victor Pisani of Verona, and inscribed "Opus Pisani Pictoris."

The medals of the popes form an unbroken series from the time of Paul II, who filled the papal chair from 1464 to 1471. Those that purport to be of earlier popes are all known to be, in point of fact, of later date. The reverse generally bears the cross-keys and mitre, and the obverse the head of the reigning pope. Some of the medals of Julius II, Leo X, and Clement VII have an especial value, as having been designed by Raphael and Giulio Romano, and engraved by Benvenuto Cellini.

France produced few medals prior to the time of Louis XIV. There is a series illustrative of the chief events in the life of the "Grand Monarque," and another devoted to the career of the first Napoleon. The Spanish medals begin with Gonsalvo about 1500. Scotland produced one of the earliest of modern medals, struck by David II, perhaps during his captivity in England, and formed on the model of the nobles of Edward III. English medals only begin with Henry VIII, and from Edward VI onwards, there is an unbroken succession of coronation medals. The Scottish gold coronation medal of Charles I was the first medal struck in Britain with a legend on its edge. The medals of the Commonwealth and Charles II are by Thomas Simon; those of Queen Anne record the achievements of Marlborough.

Medals in more modern times have been conferred by sovereigns and governments as marks of distinction for eminent worth and noble conduct, more particularly for naval and military services. The United States has struck a medal for each President since Washington. In the early days these were known as Indian Peace medals. The principal heroes of the American Revolution, War of 1812, Mexican and Civil Wars were likewise honored with individual medals bearing the likeness of the person so honored and a scene emblematic of his act on the reverse. Campaign

## MEDALLIC ART

By RAYMOND J. WALKER

THE study of medals, interesting in an historical and antiquarian point of view, is also important as illustrating the contemporary state of art. Like coins, medals belong to two periods, ancient and modern, separated by a wide interval. To the former belong those pieces issuing from the mint of ancient Rome, known as "medallions", of the size of the aureus in gold, of the denarius in silver, and of the first or large brass in copper. They are generally supposed to have been struck on occasions similar to those on which medals are minted in modern times, on the accession of an emperor, on the achievement of an important victory, or as specimens of workmanship; but there are circumstances which countenance the belief that they were circulated as money. Medallions prior to the time of Hadrian are rare and of great value. One of the most beautiful and most famous of the early period being a gold medallion of Augustus Caesar. From the time of Hadrian until the close of the empire medals are comparatively common.

Of the Roman medallions, some were struck by order of the emperors, some by the senate; the latter may be known by being inscribed with the letters S.C. The larger bronze medallions are of admirable workmanship. In some of them, a ring of bronze surrounds a center of copper, and the inscription extends over both metals. No portrait of a person not princely occurs on any ancient medal, a remarkable circumstance, considering the numerous contemporary statues

of poets, historians, and philosophers.

The Contorniati, once supposed to be Roman medals, are now believed to have been tickets of admission to the public games. The ancient appellation of these objects is not known; their modern name has been derived from the circle (in Italian "contorno") which marks both their sides, in incuse. The metal of which contorniates are composed is copper, with a certain amount of alloy; in size they are, as a rule, somewhat larger than the "first brass" coins (sestertii) of the early empire, but they are much thinner and are characterized by the circular depression already referred to. The greater number of them present on both sides a device in relief, which is generally obtained, not by striking from a die (as in the case of the medallions), but by a process of casting from a mold. The first issue of the contorniates, which are all of Western origin, is assigned by Eckhel to the time of Constantine (A. D. 306-337), and this date has been practically accepted by the most recent authorities on the subject. Their fabrication, according to Sabatier, ceased under Anthemius (A. D. 464-472). The devices of the contorniates, though offering considerable varieties, may be considered to have reference to the public games and spectacles in the Circus, the Odeum, the Stadium, and the Amphitheatre. The legends are nearly always descriptive of the types.

Numerous medals and medallions were struck in the Greek provinces of the Roman empire, of less substance



medals have also been issued to our soldiers, sailors, and marines for various wars and campaigns beginning with the Civil War. They have ribbons attached, with clasps or small bars, each of which bears the name of a particular action or service.

One of the first foreign issues of the campaign type was the Waterloo medal in silver, with the head of George IV (Prince Regent), a winged Victory, and the words "Waterloo" and "Wellington". It hangs from a crimson ribbon, with a narrow stripe of blue near the edge. The Crimean medal, also of silver, is attached to a blue ribbon with yellow edges for service in the Crimea, and to a yellow ribbon with blue edges when for service in the Baltic. England also instituted Good-service medals, on the style of our good-conduct medals, in 1830 and 1831, for distribution to meritorious sailors, soldiers, and marines. The naval medal is worn suspended from a blue, and the military from a crimson ribbon. There are also medals which have been conferred for service in the Peninsular War, India, South Africa, etc. All the Allied countries issued a Victory Medal to their soldiers and sailors following the World War. The French Military Medal was established by Napoleon III and that of his time exhibits the effigy of Napoleon III, surmounted by an eagle, and was worn from a yellow ribbon with green borders. The Sardinian War-Medal, associated with the wars that led to the formation of the present kingdom of Italy, is charged with the cross of Savoy, and suspended from a sky-blue ribbon.

It is impossible to go into detailed descriptions of the many campaign medals and decorations for valor bestowed by the many nations in recent years but there are books on this subject which the interested reader may wish to refer to. The following are the best that have come to the writer's attention: "Medals and Decorations of the British Army and Navy" by J. H. Mayo and "Ribbons and Medals" (all countries) by T. Doring.

Storekeeper: "This ten-cent piece doesn't ring good."

Tommy: "What do you want for a dime, a set of chimes?" — Open Road.

Q.—From whom did the National Museum acquire its 1804 silver dollar?—W. A. G.

A. — It was received from the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa.



*Design for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge commemorative half dollar.*



*Design for the Albany, N. Y., Dongan Charter half dollar.*

### San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge Coin

Jacques Schnier, sculptor, of San Francisco, used a design showing the California grizzly bear on the obverse of the coin. The reverse shows the Oakland Bay Bridge extending from San Francisco to Yerba Buena Island and on to East Bay Hills with the Ferry Tower in the foreground and several types of shipping in the waters beyond. The coins will all be dated 1936, and minted in San Francisco.

### Albany Dongan Charter Half Dollars

The Albany, N. Y., Dongan Charter half dollar which commemorates the 250th anniversary of the granting of the Dongan Charter to the city was scheduled for distribution on or about October 1.

The coin was designed by Miss Gertrude K. Lathrop, Albany sculptress, who is a member of the National Academy of Design as well as a member of the National Sculpture Society and the National Association of Women Painters and Sculptors.

The obverse shows a model of a beaver, gnawing a branch of the maple, the state tree of New York. There were a great number of beavers in Albany during its early days. Trading in beaver pelts made trade prosperous in the early history of the community. The reverse side of the coin shows Peter Schuyler, Albany's first mayor, and Robert Livingston taking leave of Governor Dongan in New York after he had granted them the city charter in 1686. Schuyler is shown holding the charter in the design.

Bloofus: "Did you ever see a \$15 bill?"

Obfuscus: "No, there isn't any such bill."

Bloofus: "Yes there is. I've got to pay one today."

### Half a Dime

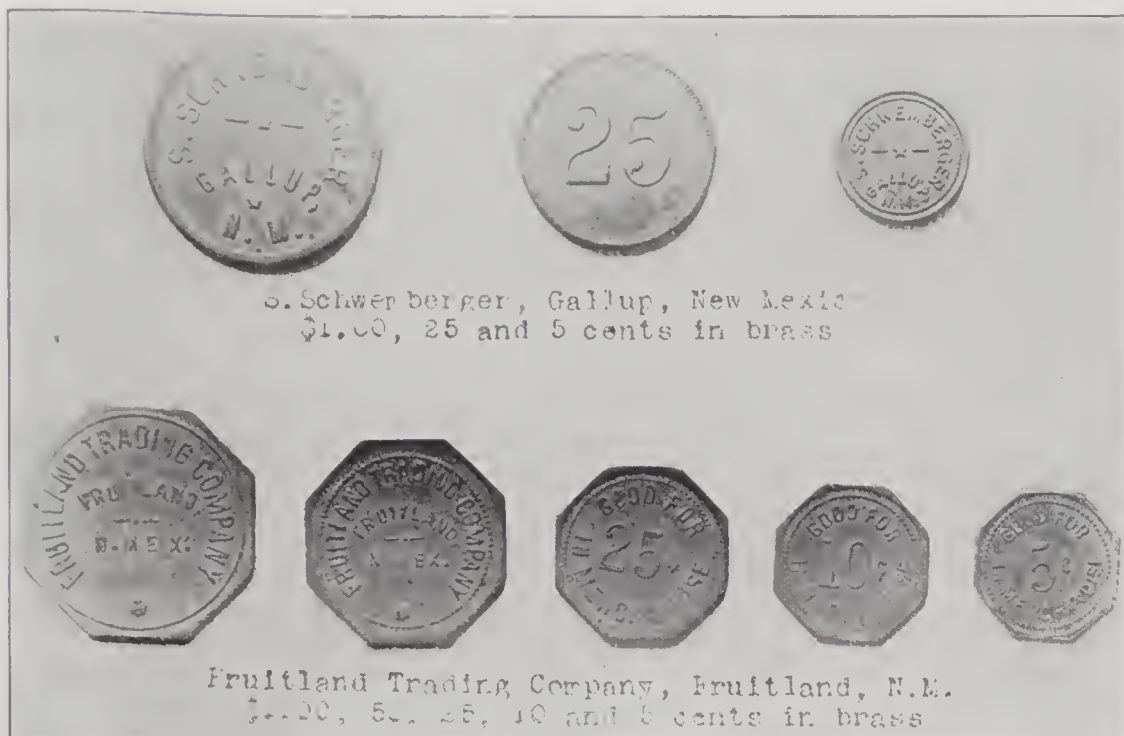
Dutch Beggar: "Please gif a poor oldt blind man a dime."

Citizen: "Why, you can see with one eye."

Beggar: "Vell, den, gif me a nickel."

—Miss B. C., Ind.





Examples of "Tin Money" which some firms used in trading with the Indians. Mr. Moore, author of this article, says that "tin money" has become somewhat scarce as a collector's item.

## "Tin Money"

By WALDO C. MOORE

THE Seventh Annual Council of the Navajo Indians was held at the Charles H. Burke School, Ft. Wingate, New Mexico, September 3-4, 1929. Numerous were the subjects of interest to the Indians and to Uncle Sam brought before the Council for discussion and settlement at the time.

There was considerable discussion of imitations of Navajo handiwork, especially of their silver jewelry and blankets, and approval was expressed of the plan of the Indian Bureau to secure a trade-mark for the protection of all Indian arts and crafts.

"Tin money," said the Council, "issued to the Indians by unlicensed traders as pay for their stock and other products, is a great curse. Indians can spend this only in trade with the firm issuing it. Some traders have outstanding coin-tokens or checks representing thousands of dollars' worth of merchandise sold by the Indians, and some instances there seems real danger that the Navajos may lose heavily through such transactions. Everything possible should be done to educate the Indians to refuse to deal with traders issuing 'tin

money' and also to prevent its use by the traders."

It was stated that the Navajos derive their income approximately as follows: one-half from sheep, one-fourth from handwork, and one-fourth from wages.

Concern was expressed in the Council a number of times that "booze" might be more effectively kept away from the Navajos.

It was desired that more help might be given returned students in finding suitable work either on or near the reservation or in other parts of the country.

The Council closed with the statement of the Indian Commissioner that, "I am taking back to Washington a great many arrows that I hope to be able to shoot straight at the mark to help the Navajos."

The "tin money" herewith illustrated is in the private collection of the writer. From information received at this date "tin money" has become somewhat scarce. The story in the July HOBBIES on "The Inter-Tribal Indian Ceremonial" prompted this paper on "Tin Money."

## Coin Notes

WHEN an old church was razed in Dubuque, Ia., recently, several old coins were found in the cornerstone, including a half-dollar dated 1857; a twenty-five cent piece dated 1855; a dime dated 1830 and one dime larger

in size than the ordinary with the date obliterated; a three-cent piece dated 1803; two Spanish coins, one bearing the date 1821 and the name "Ferdinand VII", the other a smaller coin with undistinguishable engraving.

One source of information says that in the latter part of the eighteenth century real money was so scarce in Montreal, that playing cards were used as commercial tender, the signatures of three administrators of the French colony being inscribed on the back to make such "money" legal. Does any reader of HOBBIES hold samples of the playing card money?

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The question of introducing a nickel coin valued at threepence into the new Edward VIII coinage is being considered, by the Bank of England and the Royal Mint, according to *The Evening News*.

It is pointed out that if the change takes place, it will bring Great Britain into line with most other countries and would mean a big reduction in the number of coppers in circulation.

No new coins of any denomination, however, will be issued until next year, and the inscription will remain the same.

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Regarding the reproduction of coins we quote from the *Code of the Laws of the United States of America in force January 3, 1935, page 742 in section 285 of title 18*. "Whoever within the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof shall make, or cause or procure to be made, or shall bring therein from any foreign country, or shall have in possession with intent to sell, give away, or in any other manner use the same, any business or professional card, notice, placard, token, device, print, or impression, or any other thing whatsoever, in the likeness or similitude as to design, color, or the inscription thereon of any of the coins of the United States or of any foreign country that have been or may be issued as money, either under the authority of the United States or under the authority of any foreign government, shall be fined not more than \$100. But nothing in this section shall be considered to forbid or prevent the printing and publishing of illustrations of coins and medals or the making of the necessary plates for the same to be used in illustrating numismatic and historical books and journals and school arithmetics and the circulars of legitimate publishers and dealers in the same. (Fe. 10, 1891, c. 127 paragraph 3, 26 Stat. 742; Mar. 3, 1903, c. 1015, 32 Stat. 1223; March 4, 1909, c. 321, paragraph 171, 35 Stat. 1121; Feb. 15, 1912, c. 38, 37 Stat. 64)."—Contributed by C. E. Green, Chicago.

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A contributor to Harvey Woodruff's column in the *Chicago Tribune* says: "Harvey: A tavern in our town has a sign in the window saying it will pay \$18.50 for 1901 pennies. Wouldn't you?—H. M. S."



# DIXIE'S MONEY

## How the First Confederate Money Was Made

Compiled By SCOTT H. CLARKE

From the Confederate War Journal of  
April, 1893, pages 15 and 16

IT TOOK money to carry on the war.

The Southern Confederacy started to oppose the invading foes with an empty Treasury. So a "promise to pay" had to be resorted to.

One of the first things to be done by the Treasury of the young nation was to issue legal tender of some kind.

The making of Confederate bonds and notes was a great trial with the young Treasury. In the South no engravers could be found, and nothing like good bank paper.

So arrangements were made to print some bonds in New York. The work was gone about very carefully, and every means used to avoid detection. But the bonds were seized, however, before they left New York. These bonds were printed by the American Bank Note Company, and when the Federal authorities found this out, through a telltail employee, the Southern Confederacy had to rely upon its own resources to get up notes and bonds.

An engraver of cards and posters by the name of Hoyer, a German by nationality, lived in Richmond, and he was employed to issue the first notes, which were eight one-hundred-dollar bills. One of these bills would bring considerable now as a relic.

A paper was smuggled through the lines from New York and given to Hoyer. He had only old and inferior stones for engraving purposes, and with them he made the first Confederate Treasury notes. The stones had previously been used to engrave placards.

Of course they were faulty and full of errors, and under any other circumstance would have been thrown away, but some kind of legal tender had to be secured at once, and the rude notes were accepted.

When the Secretary read the proofs he ordered them printed, endorsing them on the margin of the proof the following: "When the money changers become familiar with these incoming bills it will be as difficult to pass a counterfeit as if they had been engraved on steel—perhaps more so."

The German engraver used what was an old-fashioned press even in that day, and the bills were printed by hand, a slow and tedious process.

These rude, uncouth bills found no buyers, but were accepted in good faith by loyal Southern hearts. They were pledges of a brave, fearless people, and by that people were accepted as such.

They were not worth much upon their face, but thousands of men died to give them value, and three times as many died to make them worthless.

Soon the country was flooded with Confederate bills. The number circulated depended on how fast the Treasury could issue them. Bills of small denominations soon went out of style, and nothing under \$100 left the Treasurer's hands, while \$500 and \$1,000 bills were as numerous as \$5 bills are today.

Of course the price of everything went up, and it was a mere bagatelle to pay \$200 for a yard of flannel, or \$300 for a pound of coffee, or \$1,000 for a pair of boots, or \$10,000 for a horse.

Worthless as were these "promise to pay," they cost more than any tender ever issued by a nation on earth. They were issued in integrity, defended in valor and bathed in price-less blood.

The following lines which were written on the back of a Confederate ten-dollar bill by a soldier, find a fitting place in these columns at this hour:

Representing nothing on God's earth now,  
And naught in the waters below it,  
As the pledge of a nation that's dead  
and gone,  
Keep it, dear friends, and show it.

Show it to those who will lend an ear  
To the tale that this trifle can tell—  
Of liberty born of a patriot's dream,  
Of a storm-cradled nation that fell.

Too poor to possess the precious ores,  
And too much of a stranger to borrow,  
We issued today our promise to pay,  
And hoped to redeem on the morrow.

The days rolled by and the weeks became  
years,  
But our coffers were empty still,  
Coin was so rare that the Treasury'd  
quake  
If a dollar dropped in the till.

But the faith that was in use was strong  
indeed,  
And our poverty well we discerned;  
And this little check represented the pay,  
That our suffering veterans earned.

We knew it had hardly a value in gold,  
Yet as gold each soldier received it;  
It gazed in our eyes with a promise  
to pay,  
And each Southern patriot believed it.

But our boys thought little of the price  
or pay,  
Or of the bills that were overdue;  
We knew that it brought us bread today,  
'Twas the best our poor country  
could do.

Keep it; it tells all our history over,  
From the birth of the dream to the last;  
Modest, and born of the angel Hope,  
Like our hopes of success—it passed.

It would require 19 centuries to  
spend one billion dollars at the rate  
of \$1 a minute.

## Money Topics

The interest in old coins has not waned, for at the sale of Greek, Roman, and later coins held by Messrs. Glendining & Co., England, a gold 100 litrae of Syracuse B. C. 406-357 with head of Arethusa, and Herakles strangling lion upon the reverse brought approximately \$300; a gold stater of Mithridates VI B. C. 120-63 fetched about \$185; an electrum stater of Cyzicus in Mysia, B. C. 550-475 went for approximately \$275. An octodrachm of Arsinoe II double cornucopiae on reverse, about \$100. Julius Caesar, struck by M. Vipsanius Agrippa brought approximately \$225; Titus with Venus reverse (C. 276) went for about \$110; Domitian, reverse Wolf and Twins, boat in exergue (C50), \$125, and an aureus of Commodus, mounted in a contemporaneous octagonal gold frame, from the Arras hoard, sold for approximately \$295; a Maximianus I, Hercules type brought about \$180; and a gold medallion of Constantine the Great, Gloria Constantini, Aug. (c238) was sold for \$320.

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Fifty-four years ago in Switzerland the first nickel coins of the entire world were struck. If all these coins from 1881 to the present date were placed in one pile they would have a sum total of over 44,000,000 pounds.

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For fifty years a shield composed of thirty-nine small bills from three cents to 50 cents and designed by Francis Spinner, U. S. Treasurer during the Civil War, has been hanging on the walls of the Boston Young Men's Christian union office.

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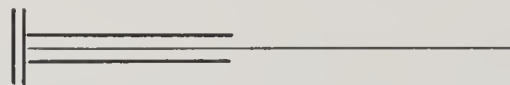
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# NUMISMATICS



## Numismatic Thoughts

By FRANK C. ROSS

"IT is more blessed to be a donor than a donee" applies to gifts, charities and good deeds. In the battery of this game the pitcher gets more credit than the catcher. But when it comes to the knocks the rule reverses, the fellow that can take it is the star player. In the national game of numismatics the senior collector is a graduate catcher of the sand lots, the beginners, and a receiver on the sand lots that can't take it is soon benched. A new coin collector gets many knocks;—derision of his small collection, bum trades, exorbitant prices, altered dates and mints, counterfeits, and all the other trials and tribulations a novice is heir to that make his hobby a discouragement. If he can take the hard knocks, the bad breaks of the game, and still carry on, he will become a star in the game of numismatics. The star of all stars is the one who freely gives the benefits he learned from his knocks that the batting and playing average of the tyros may make a better percentage. Be a Babe Ruth, a giver of advice, a taker of knocks. Just such a numismatist as was the late Charley Markus of Iowa.

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From a reader: "Here in Philadelphia we have a museum of Industry and Science, the Franklin Institute. All the exhibits as far as possible are displayed in motion, all engines being run slowly by electric motor to show the action. The first steam coin press used in the Philadelphia mint is on exhibition. It is now turned by electric motor for exhibition purposes and mints souvenir Franklin medals for the added interest of the spectators. I enclose one which may interest you. I pulled the lever, watched the blank fall into place and saw the "hammer" come down on it. When the "hammer" raises, the finished medal slides out into a receptacle where the spectator may get it. Not thrilling to many people, but to those in the know, it is. That engine was installed in the mint one hundred years ago and is still in running order."

The medal is bronze, about the size and thickness of a nickel, with Benjamin Franklin's head on one side and the Franklin Institute on the other. It bears no date except that under Franklin's bust, 1708-1790. It is of fine workmanship and is a very attractive medal.

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Am asked: "Why do some of the silver coins, halves and quarters, have SIX pointed stars on the obverse and FIVE pointed stars on the reverse?"

The Catalogue of Coins issued by the Bureau of the Mint says:—"The use of stars and symbols of the States began in the first years of the national coinage. Until 1892 the six-pointed form of the star was employed; but on the reverse of the half-dollar and quarter of that year the five-pointed character was introduced, while the traditional six-point star was retained on the obverse. This change was probably due to the presence of a five-point star on the Great Seal, an adaptation of which forms the reverse type of these coins."

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It has been claimed that General Hancock was defeated for the presidency for saying the tariff question was a local issue. Numismatics is not local. A country changes its coinage and calls in its present outstanding coins; the coins of that country held by collectors over the world immediately enhance in value. When this country melted about 300,000,000 silver dollars during the World War it raised the price of dollars to collectors everywhere. One concern or speculator gobbles up an entire issue of commemoratives and the collectors of the world suffer. Numismatics is a national, yes, a world institution, not a local one. What effects one locality disturbs the numismatic world. Certain winds far, far away will make tomorrow's weather here.

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Asked if his club's by-laws included certain things the officer replied:—"I don't know; I don't know what is in

the by-laws. We have at no time ever had to refer to the by-laws; in fact, except as a matter of form, we have no use for anything like by-laws. So free is our club of dissensions they are never brought into play."

This is as it should be. Constant referring to by-laws is a sure sign of disputes and to inevitable dissensions. The only by-laws necessary in a harmonious coin club is "Acquit ye like gentlemen", and when this fails to suffice the club is due for internal friction and a consequent split-up.

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From a letter of a prominent numismatist:—"To my mind a coin club could do a lot for collecting in its territory by giving small collections of coins to elementary schools together with a booklet showing pointers on how to start coin collections. The best time to start collectors is in the elementary age. When boys enter high school their minds are on girls, football, etc., and one has to wait until they are married a few years to get them interested. I intend to give a small foreign collection to each of the elementary schools in my neighborhood this winter."

His contention is true that collectors do not begin early enough. Members joining clubs are usually from twenty-five years up, and married members predominate. And too, many of the new members are beginners, or at most, have only small collections. Collectors and club members should encourage youngsters to take up the hobby, and the very best inducement is to give them some coins to start on.

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With the low priced coins it does not make so much difference as there is not much involved, but do not pay a high price for an ancient rarity without having it appraised by an expert. A true horseman can size up a horse at a glance, a dog fancier knows his dogs, and an expert numismatist can spot a counterfeit by instinct. A well versed collector offered for sale a tray of twenty Egyptian silver coins to even a better versed numismatist. The parties from whom the coins were first bought sold them as genuine, and thought they were; the party now offering them for sale thought they were O.K., and the party contemplating buying appraised them all as genuine specimens. To make



sure, doubly sure, the prospective buyer showed the tray to one of America's foremost authorities on things numismatic. He took a cursory glance and said "All genuine but that one." Spotted it at a glance. Then he explained the difference between the genuine ones and the counterfeit. It is not the counterfeiters themselves that you have to guard yourself against, as you will probably not meet up with them, but against owners who themselves have been fooled and who are offering for sale what they really believe to be the real stuff.

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You are, no doubt, familiar with the story Jack-knives from Heaven by Bob Davis wherein is told of two brothers praying fervently for God to send them each a jack-knife. The boys' father overheard the plea and the prayer was answered. If any of you coin-aspired youngsters haven't the outlay to spare, leave your bedroom door ajar when you say your nightly "Now I lay me," alto-ing your voice so dad will hear, winding up with "Oh God, please send me a few old coins so I can start a collection." Dad will see that your prayer is answered.

Speaking of prayers reminds us of this one in the Princeton Telegraph: "Oh Lord," fervently prayed the only daughter, "I'm not asking for myself, but please send mother a son-inlaw."

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The new collector who scans a few coin dealer price lists, auction catalogues, and reads a few high points in numismatic magazines and then thinks he knows it all and insists on

broadcasting his limited knowledge fulfills, "A man is wise when he seeks wisdom; but when he imagines that he has perfectly attained it, he is a fool."

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California no longer has a monopoly on the coin club business. The Pacific coast is now 100% club—by, Oregon and Washington each having organized a club, Oregon with its Oregon Numismatic Society of Portland, and Washington with its Seattle Coin Club. The Pacific slope can no longer be considered suburban territory in the numismatic field, and it is to be hoped these two new clubs are forerunners of many more. Both new clubs are off to a good start and big things are predicted of them.

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I like to live in my humble cot on Numismatic Avenue, and greet old friends, my coinage pals, as they pass by in review. They've had their ups and downs in life yet still retain their smile, and although tarnished they may be have charms that still beguile, that makes one glad he's living, that living's worth the while.

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Fathers, you are already pondering what you will get son for Christmas! Now that he is out of toy age it becomes a problem. Among the suggestions for Christmas why not select one that will not only please but be of everlasting benefit? Send \$1.89 to the United States treasurer and have him send you a set of 1936 proofs. Sonny will be tickled to death. Uncles, try this on your nephews.

## Recollections of an Old Collector

By THOMAS L. ELDER

### Doles and Denarii

DENARII like doles, did not originate in the fertile brains of the New Dealers. The Romans gave denarii for doles. Nero, one of the earliest of political boon-dogglers, like other politicians, wanted to keep himself solid with the hoi-polloi or common herd. To do this he amused them with free games aplenty. Not only that, he gave them five or six bushels of corn per month, and then the equivalent of ten or twelve dollars in money, paid in the silver denarius of his reign. Not only that, he devalued the denarii. He was one of the very first emperors to do so. With all this jugglery, which has certain reverberations in recent political history in the U.S.A., he did not find things going right or to his liking. He wanted more power. So what did he do? Well, he usurped the power of the tribunes. The Tribunes were certain powerful office-holders, who

were highly thought of by the common people, since they had certain veto powers over the Roman senate, and essayed to protect the lower classes against wrongs. So he, Nero, got himself appointed as a tribune and with that he got a certain veto power over the Roman "supreme court, as it were, viz., the Roman Senate. However, with all that fuss he didn't make good. He grew impertinent, insulted dignified Roman senators, seized their property for taxes, as well as their wives. The end came when the army got its back up and gave him an invitation to get out. He got out. He did more, he had a servant stick a sword into him, as he had not the courage to do it himself.

In discussing doles we cannot omit further discussion of doles in Roman times, and what was used to pay doles. At one time more than one-fifth of the population of Rome was

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on a dole, first the corn measure, then a ration of oil was added. Oil, mind you, was valuable even in that day. It is still a great and useful commodity. Finally corn was added, to satisfy the lazy and shiftless of Rome. Trajan, the Roman, gave as much as 225 denarii per person, which was gradually increased to six times that amount. So writes Harold Mattingly, which shows the appetites and the demands of the jobless in those days. Mattingly adds this warning to modern nations: "But, when all is said and done, ancient Rome stands to us as a warning rather than an example. We see how easily a system of doles, created to palliate unemployment, may strike permanent root into the state; how very precarious are the prospects of its direction towards wiser ends, and how it tends to confirm and exaggerate the evils which it is originally designed to correct. One, at least, of the causes of the decline and fall of Rome was the decay of the old Roman stock and the doles, which gave partial relief, without teaching men to help themselves." Adds Dr. Cutten, of Colgate University, New York, "That concerned only one-fifth of the capital city, but what shall we say when a whole nation is invited to become parasitic? The predator looks upon unemployment as an unbearable affliction, the parasite views it as a coveted occupation." And the issue of Social Security adds to this attitude of dependence on government help, and to the weakening of the initiative of the individual. Here again I am discussing a plaything of politicians. The politicians and Emperors of Rome, with their doles, with their depreciated coins, their silver-plated denarii, could not save their country, Rome. It perished as modern countries can decline and perish, who follow the same methods.

#### "All Sold Out"

How long will collectors and coin dealers continue to be suckers for the purveyors of commemorative half dollars, when they write us, even before a coin comes out "We regret but the coins are all sold out and are therefore returning your money." This applies to issues of as many as 25,000 coins. I venture a prediction. "The time will come when the issues won't be sold out so quickly, and when they will shop around a good deal to rid themselves of the cause of their speculation. These 25,000 will gradually filter into circulation, or be sold later on to liquidate debts of individuals. 25,000 coins aren't going to be kept hidden away long in cabinets and vest pockets.

#### Columbus Half Dollars

In the year 1892, a handsome half dollar was issued to commemorate a great event in Chicago, the World's Fair. The writer, a boy of 18 years

or so, attended it, going in a day coach from Pittsburg, his home town, to Chicago. He attended the World's Fair on Chicago Day, that great day when 753,000 souls went through the Fair's turnstiles. But this is a tale of Half Dollars, not of the writer's experiences then. Well, at the time there seemed a great furore and demand for this handsome half dollar at one dollar each. The following year it was reissued and dated 1893, when quite a few more were issued. Now, after 43 years, one would think that those two million or more coins were either worn out or else had become scarce enough to bring some sort of a fair price. But what is the fact today? Why one has a hard time selling one of 1892, the supposedly less common date, for 75 cents, and this at a time when ambitious speculators in new issues of Commemorative Half dollars are asking \$2.15, mailed, each for their specimens, of which not so few are being minted of each. It all illustrates what a curious coin psychology has come over the minds of many collectors. When one considers that of some new issues of coins 100,000,000 or more are being issued each year, and for which the dealers ask a fair premium which naturally they should, because it costs money to offer coins of any date, it is somewhat mystifying why the sharks do not try to corner the remaining thousands of Columbus half dollars which are floating around in quantity which would not be considered at all large, if any considerable number of collectors were hunting them. But, inasmuch as they are deemed common, they keep hands off and continue their quest for new issues, new mints and new years in commemorative coins of later mintages. If collectors are contented to keep hands off these Columbus half dollars, why, an unwise pub-

lic still thinks the 1892 issues is rare enough to pay in cases \$5 for. We have several cases of that kind on our records of coins which we ourselves did not sell, but some other enterprising people did. It all illustrates that it is not always rarity, or small issue which sells a coin, but whether somebody wants it or not. The writer once had a man come to his office with a little third brass coin of Constantine the Great which he had paid fifty dollars for.

In commemorative coins, the Lincoln half dollar is now the piece which is being kicked around the lot like the Columbus half dollar, although undeservedly both from standpoint of scarcity and historic interest. That issue was not enormous, but inasmuch as a small raft of them were suddenly thrown onto the market in the last two years, the coin has lost speculative popularity, and sells for perhaps less than it did fifteen years ago.

The interesting question now is, how long collectors will allow the Columbus half dollars to be thrown into the sales, to bring from 50 to 55¢ a coin. The writer can say from a long experience that the strictly uncirculated, bright Columbus, half dollars are not at all common, and most of those which appear today have been in circulation and are not above fine in grade. Before we know it, maybe we can distract the attention of the speculative sharks (who corner new issues) from their favorite pursuit to devote a bit more attention to this progenitor of the commemorative half dollar. Perhaps, some day we will wake up to see sharks crashing the gates after Columbus half dollars. It would be fully as sensible as what we are seeing today regarding new issues and manipulation by some of the sharks.

## Congressional Medals Awarded for Military Achievement

By JOHN A. MUSCALUS

THIS account includes awards made from the time of the Continental Congress, and lists them, with a few exceptions, in the order in which the awards were made.

#### *Washington, for retaking Boston.*

In a scheme to take Boston which was in the hands of the British under General Howe, Washington diverted the attention of the British from his real purpose by attacking Cambridge and Lechmere's Point. Under the pretense of the cannonading, Washington's army entrenched itself on Dorchester Heights South Boston; and the next day when the British saw the cannons overlooking them, they realized that to hold Bos-

ton any longer was futile. Therefore, Howe and his army along with some Tories evacuated the city and sailed for Halifax.

#### *Maj. Gen. Gates, for Saratoga.*

In 1777, Gen. Burgoyne with an army of 8,000 men set out from Canada for Albany where he was to be met by two other British expeditions. As Burgoyne's army marched down from Canada and through upper New York, it was quickly flanked and impeded by hastily organized militia who outnumbered it so heavily that Gen. Burgoyne felt compelled to surrender to Gen. Gates at Saratoga on October 7, 1777.



*Brig. Gen. Morgan, for Cowpens.*

On January 17, 1781, Gen. Morgan and Col. Tarleton met in battle at Cowpens. Col. Tarleton's forces were decisively defeated and many of the British captured in spite of the superior forces of the latter. See Lt. Col. Howard and Col. W. A. Washington.

*Lt. Col. J. E. Howard, for Cowpens.*

Lt. Col. Howard commanded the light infantry in the battle of Cowpens. When he observed that the enemy confronting him was thrown into disorder, he gave the order for the line to make a bayonet charge which caused the enemy to flee so hastily that their field pieces were abandoned. At the close of the battle he had in his hands the swords of seven British officers who had surrendered to him. See Brig. Gen. Morgan and Col. W. A. Washington.

*Col. W. A. Washington, for Cowpens.*

Col. Washington commanded a regiment of dragoons in the battle of Cowpens, S. C., and had a personal encounter with the British commander. See Brig. Gen. Morgan and Lt. Col. Howard.

*Maj. Gen., Anthony Wayne, for Stony Point.*

In 1779, Washington sent Gen. Wayne to recapture Stony Point which was a well fortified post on the west bank of the Hudson that had been seized by the British. On July 16, 1779 Gen. Wayne's troops successfully stormed the fort at the point of the bayonet and captured about 500 hundred prisoners. See Count De Fluery and Maj. John Stewart.

*Count De Fluery, for Stony Point.*

In the taking of Stony Point, Col. De Fluery was the first to enter the fort, and he struck the British standard with his own hands. See Maj. Gen. Wayne and Maj. Stewart.

*Maj. John Stewart, for Stony Point.*

Maj. Stewart was a major of infantry in the attack on Stony Point during which he distinguished himself by his gallantry. See the two preceding awards.

*Maj. Henry Lee, for Paulus Hook.*

In 1779, Maj. Lee, with about three hundred men, made a surprise attack upon Paulus Hook (Jersey City since 1838), a British post on the New Jersey shore. The attack was successful with a loss of only two men killed and three wounded.

*Maj. Gen. Nathaniel Greene, for Eutaw Springs.*

Due to the heavy losses the British suffered in defending various Southern posts, they decided to evacuate all posts except Ninety-Six and Charleston, S. C. Maj. Gen. Greene made an unsuccessful attack on the former, but he was more successful in the battle fought at Eutaw Springs on September 8, 1871 in which both

sides claimed the victory. The British lost a great number of men and were compelled to shut themselves up in Charleston.

*John Paulding, David Williams, and Issac Van Wart, for the capture of Major Andre.*

Benedict Arnold was dissatisfied with the rate of his promotion in the American army. This resentment coupled with the encouragements of British officers and his wife induced him to betray his country by attempting to turn the fortress of West Point over to Sir Henry Clinton, the British commander in New York. The transactions between Arnold and Clinton were handled by Major Andre, an adjutant general of the British army. One day after Major Andre had made arrangements with Arnold for the surrender of the fort, he was endeavoring to return to New York under a false passport but was stopped and searched at Tarrytown near New York by Paulding, Williams, and Wart. The incriminating evidence in Arnold's own handwriting was found on him and he was held a prisoner. However, somehow he managed to get word of his capture to Arnold in time to enable the latter to make a hasty flight to the British vessel stationed in the harbor. Andre was pronounced a spy and was hanged in spite of his entreaties that he be shot, which to a soldier would have been a more honorable death.

*Maj. Gen. W. Scott, for Chippewa and Niagara; Maj. Gen. Gaines for Fort Erie; Maj. Gen. Porter, Maj. Gen. Brown, Brig. Gen. Miller, and Brig. Gen. Ripley, each for Chippewa, Niagara, and Erie.*

For the sake of brevity and relationship of events, the preceding achievements are combined in the following item: On July 3, 1814 Gen. Brown crossed the Niagara and took Fort Erie. He followed up his success by inflicting a slight defeat on the British at Chippewa on the fifth. However, upon receiving reinforcements, the British returned and another battle ensued at Bridgewater on July 25. From the name of the narrow road in which the battle was fought, some refer to it as the Battle of Lundy's Lane. Others refer to it as the battle of Niagara because of its nearness to the falls. In the battles Gen. Scott led the Americans while Gen. Riall led the British. The latter was taken prisoner. Technically, the British won. The weak-

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ened condition of the Americans compelled them to withdraw to Fort Erie where they were soon besieged by Gen. Drummond. The fortunate arrival of reinforcements under Gen. Izard from Plattsburg enabled the Americans to repel the British and give them pursuit.

*Maj. Gen. Macomb, for the Battle of Plattsburg*

The governor general of Canada, Sir George Prevost, descended into New York in the vicinity of Crown Point and Ticonderoga, and soon converged on Plattsburg where Gen. Macomb was in command during the absence of Gen. Izard, who had been commanded to the west. With the aid of the inhabitants and the state militia of New York and Vermont, Gen. Macomb was able to repel the British in commendable fashion.

*Maj. Gen. Jackson, for New Orleans.*

During the War of 1812 the British sent Gen. Pakenham with an army to take possession of New Orleans which they hoped would give them control of the Mississippi River. Andrew Jackson with his 6,000 riflemen lined themselves behind hastily constructed embankments made of cotton bales and badly defeated the British in spite of their more experienced and numerous forces. Jackson lost twenty-one killed and wounded as compared to 2,000 for the British.

*Maj. Gen. Harrison and Gov. Isaac Shelby, each for the Thames.*

During the War of 1812 Gen. Hull, governor of Michigan territory, was ordered to Detroit to protect that vicinity from British and Indian attacks. After a few minor battles Gen. Hull surrendered his army, Fort Detroit, and the vicinity to the British General, Brock, on August 16, 1812. Later, the militia of Governor Shelby of Kentucky joined with Gen. Harrison's army and retook Detroit. Furthermore, they crossed over into Canada and pursued Gen. Proctor whom they found encamped at Moravain Town on the Thames River. A severe battle ensued in which the British and their Indian allies were defeated, and Tecumseh, the brilliant Indian chieftain, slain. This battle and Perry's victory on Lake Erie recovered all that had been surrendered by Hull, and resulted in British abandonment of the region between the Great Lakes.

*Col. George Croghan, for the defense of Fort Stephensen.*

On May 1, 1813, Gen. Proctor began a siege of Fort Meigs. Failing twice in their siege of the fort, the British turned their efforts against Fort Stephensen, which was under the command of Major Croghan. Croghan successfully repulsed the attack and lost only one man as compared to several hundred British lost.

*Maj. Gen. Z. Taylor, for Rio Grande*

In 1846, Gen. Taylor was ordered to advance to the Rio Grande where he erected a fort opposite Matamoros. After the Mexicans captured an American scouting party, they crossed the river and met Gen. Taylor in battle at Palo Alto on May 8. Taylor defeated them and drove them back across the river. Furthermore, on the eighteenth he began the invasion of Mexico by following them across the river and occupying Matamoros.

*Maj. Gen. Taylor for taking Monterey.*

While occupying Matamoros, Taylor received reinforcements which enabled him to go on to Monterey where, after three days of hard fighting, Gen. Arists surrendered the strongly fortified city on September 24, 1846.

*Maj. Gen. Taylor, for Buena Vista.*

The defeat of Gen. Arists enabled Gen. Taylor to send 9,000 of his troops to aid Gen. Scott in the campaign against Mexico City. When Gen. Santa Anna heard of the decreased number of Taylor's forces, he quickly organized an army of 20,000 and marched against Taylor with high hopes of utterly destroying him. However, Taylor managed to fortify himself at Buena Vista and inflicted another defeat on the Mexicans on February 23, 1847, even though their forces were four times as large. Taylor's victory at Buena Vista is considered the most brilliant achievement of the war with Mexico, and along with his other victories laid the basis for popularity sufficient to make him president.

*Maj. Gen. Scott, for Mexican Campaign of 1847*

Gen. W. Scott set out from New Orleans with a force of 12,000 men and landed at Vera Cruz. After forcing the surrender of the city, he marched on Mexico City, the capital of Mexico. At Cerro Gordo he encountered and defeated Santa Anna who so narrowly escaped capture that in his haste he left his cork leg and private papers to the enemy. After defeating the Mexicans in several other battles that tried to impede his progress toward the capital, he entered it on September 14, 1847.

*Lt. Co. W. J. Sperry, gallantry at Petersburg, Va.*

Lt. Col. Sperry of the 6th Vt. Infantry was awarded a Congressional medal for gallantry at Petersburg, Va., April 2, 1865. Later, due to a flood the medal and merit citation were thought to be lost, and the widow applied for a duplicate medal which wish was to be granted by Congress by a resolution of April 20, 1928. However, the original medal was found and no duplicate medal furnished.

*Corp. Roe Reisinger, for meritorious conduct at Gettysburg*

Corp. Joe Reisinger, alias J. Monroe Reisinger, corporal, company H, 150th regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, distinguished himself at the battle of Gettysburg by his brave and meritorious conduct in taking up the colors after the color sergeant had been shot down under a galling fire. In spite of three bullet wounds he received while carrying the colors, he kept on with the flag. The conflict was so severe that of 400 men and 17 officers, only 84 men and 2 officers reported in the evening.

*Maj. Gen. Grant, for various battles.*

While he was in command of the Cairo district during the Civil War, Grant captured Forts Henry and Donelson for which he was put in command of the Department of Tennessee. His next brilliant maneuver was the taking of Vicksburg on July 4, 1863. In appreciation of his success he was given command of the Tennessee Military Division and instructed to force Gen. Bragg out of Chattanooga. He soon won victories at Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge, and Chattanooga, in appreciation of which Congress awarded him a gold medal. Later he became commander-in-chief of the Union forces and undertook the Wilderness Campaign before Richmond. His successes were climaxed with the surrender of Gen. Lee's army at Appomattox Court House, Va.

*Maj. John O. Skinner, for gallantry during Madoc Indian Campaign.*

During the Madoc Indian Campaign of 1873, Maj. John Skinner, a surgeon in the army, distinguished himself by his gallantry in rescuing a wounded soldier after two others had failed and had been wounded in the attempt. The soldier lay wounded under a dangerous gun fire during the attack on the Madoc stronghold in the Lava Beds, Oregon, on January 17, 1873.

*Navy and Marine Corp. for Spanish-American War engagements.*

The resolution of March 3, 1901, made a general award to the navy and marine corp concerned and states in part as follows: "That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be struck medals commemorative of the naval and other engagements in the waters of the West Indies and on the shores of Cuba during the war with Spain, and to distribute the same to the officers and men of the navy and marine corp who participated in any of the said engagements deemed by him of sufficient importance to deserve commemoration . . ."

*City of Verdun, France, for valor of the city's defenders.*

A gold medal was presented to the City of Verdun by the American Ambassador to France on June 4, 1922,



"as a mark of America's appreciation of the valor of its defenders." Verdun was the scene of heavy fighting during the World War and its battle ranks next in importance to that of the Marne. France and Germany each lost about 300,000 men without either side making appreciable gains.

*Harry H. Horton, for distinguished conduct at Malancourt, France, 1918.*

Harry H. Horton, private, first class, Medical Detachment, One Hundred and Forty-Eight Regiment Field Artillery, A.E.F., was hit by a shell while in a dugout and the lower part of his face blown away. Through skillful surgery his jaw was restored. For his distinguished conduct in the vicinity of Malancourt, France on October 12, 1918, he was awarded a decoration.

Notes

ARCHAEOLOGISTS believe that the gold staters found when the Turkish government was searching for a lost gold mine in Asiatic Turkey, were coined by Croesus. Some say these roughly oval coins, weighing about one-quarter of an ounce and stamped on one side with the head of a lion and a bull, were the first ever minted. They were found in a pot buried in a hill, which was probably a cemetery in Croesus' day, and it is surmised that they were placed there during the fourteen day siege of the city by Cyrus, Persian King, in 546 B. C.

In 1690, the treasury of the Massachusetts colony was exhausted and

there wasn't any money to pay the troops returning from the unsuccessful expedition against Quebec, under Sir William Phipps. The men were suffering from sickness and disappointment and when they arrived in Boston demanded their pay, under threat of a riot. They were placated by the General Court, who set about to pay them by an issue of bills of credit, or treasury notes. The first issue was in February 1691, although the bills were dated 1690. The year then began in March in accordance with the old calendar. This was the first American paper money, and it became legal tender.

The treasury continues to make bars, and the mint officials believe that they still have a long way to go before they finish their job. Two years ago gold coins were called into the treasury, and Congress forbade the future circulation of gold as currency. All of these bars will be eventually placed in the United States underground vault at Knox, Ky.

Treasury Department Report

DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1936

| Denomination                | Philadelphia   | San Francisco | Denver       | Total Value    | Total Pieces |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| SILVER                      |                |               |              |                |              |
| Half dollars—regular        | \$1,075,228.00 | \$470,000.00  | —            | \$1,545,228.00 | 3,090,456    |
| Half dollars—commemorative: |                |               |              |                |              |
| Long Island Tercentenary    | 50,026.50      | —             | —            | 50,026.50      | 100,053      |
| York County, Maine          | 12,507.50      | —             | —            | 12,507.50      | 25,015       |
| Quarter dollars             | 540,075.75     | —             | —            | 540,075.75     | 2,160,303    |
| Dimes                       | 879,050.30     | —             | —            | 879,050.30     | 8,790,503    |
| Total silver                | \$2,556,888.05 | \$470,000.00  | —            | \$3,026,888.05 | 14,166,330   |
| MINOR                       |                |               |              |                |              |
| Five-cent nickels           | \$ 899,015.00  | \$125,000.00  | \$217,000.00 | \$1,241,015.00 | 24,820,300   |
| One-cent bronze             | 211,563.00     | 2,000.00      | 21,000.00    | 234,563.00     | 23,456,300   |
| Total minor                 | 1,110,578.00   | 127,000.00    | 238,000.00   | 1,475,578.00   | 48,276,600   |
| Total minor                 | \$1,110,578.00 | \$127,000.00  | \$238,000.00 | \$1,475,578.00 | 48,276,600   |
| Total domestic coinage      | \$3,667,466.05 | \$597,000.00  | \$238,000.00 | \$4,502,466.05 | 62,442,930   |

COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS At Philadelphia Mint

|                                        |                |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|
| Nicaragua—Silver —800 fine—25 Centavos | 100,000 pieces |
| “ “ “ “ 10 “                           | 250,000 “      |
| “ Nickel “ “ 5 “                       | 300,000 “      |
| “ Bronze “ “ 1 Centavo                 | 500,000 “      |
| “ “ “ “ 1/2 “                          | 600,000 “      |
| TOTAL                                  | 1,750,000 “    |

DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1936

| Denomination                | Philadelphia   | San Francisco | Denver       | Total Value    | Total Pieces |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| SILVER                      |                |               |              |                |              |
| Half dollars—regular        | \$ 370,000.00  | \$233,000.00  | \$333,100.00 | \$ 936,100.00  | 1,872,200    |
| Half dollars—commemorative: |                |               |              |                |              |
| Bridgeport Centennial       | 12,507.50      | —             | —            | 12,507.50      | 25,015       |
| Columbia Sesquicentennial   | 4,503.50       | 4,003.50      | 3,653.00     | 12,160.00      | 24,320       |
| Lynchburg Sesquicentennial  | 10,006.50      | —             | —            | 10,006.50      | 20,013       |
| Quarter dollars             | 1,319,000.00   | 319,000.00    | 305,000.00   | 1,943,000.00   | 7,772,000    |
| Dimes                       | 500,000.00     | 324,000.00    | —            | 824,000.00     | 8,240,000    |
| Total silver                | \$2,216,017.50 | \$880,003.50  | \$641,753.00 | \$3,737,774.00 | 17,953,548   |
| MINOR                       |                |               |              |                |              |
| Five-cent nickels           | 889,000.00     | 47,500.00     | 140,000.00   | 1,076,500.00   | 21,530,000   |
| One-cent bronze             | 327,760.00     | 1,300.00      | 56,000.00    | 385,060.00     | 38,506,000   |
| Total minor                 | \$1,216,760.00 | \$ 48,800.00  | \$196,000.00 | \$1,461,560.00 | 60,036,000   |
| Total domestic coinage      | \$3,432,777.50 | \$928,803.50  | \$837,753.00 | \$5,199,334.00 | 77,989,548   |

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|                             |                  |
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It takes all kinds of people to make this world, so naturally it must take all kinds of currency to suit everybody. The crude primitive spears and nose rings used by the bushmen in French Camerouns, Africa, contrast sharply with a bright, newly minted United States coin. Through study and his collecting activities, the numismatist becomes a pretty good judge of the culture and civilization of different races from historical times. By their money ye shall know them!

The oldest collection of coins in England, notably rich in Greek and Roman coins, date from June 16, 1636, and is preserved intact in the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford. This was founded by Archbishop Laud, and has been added to for three hundred years. Archbishop Laud was principally interested in Greek coins, and his original bequest of 128 coins started off the collection which now



numbers over 22,000 specimens. Since 1921 most colleges have deposited the coins they possess at Ashmolean.

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Besides collecting her pay check, which now amounts to quite a bit of cash, Shirley Temple decided she wanted to collect money and she has added numismatics to her other hobbies of stamps and autographs.

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Alberta, Canada, recently adopted a "prosperity scrip" plan. Such a plan has been tried before in various parts of the world as a temporary measure. The idea in Alberta is that everyone who has some scrip must buy a stamp each week from the government and attach it to this currency. At the end of two years it bears stamps worth \$1.04, and the last holder of the scrip may cash it in for \$1 in legal tender. Of course, people don't like to buy stamps from the government every week and try to pass on the scrip. This promotes rapid circulation, anyhow, for the paper passes like proverbial "hot-cakes."

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In 1861 the Confederate States of America planned to strike off half dollars at the mint in New Orleans, but only four were coined from a hand press. After the war hundreds of restrikes were made from the original dies, but today only one of the originals is known to exist.

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In connection with the International Numismatic Congress, recently held

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in London, the British Museum opened a special exhibition of coins and medals acquired during the last 25 years under the direction of Sir George Hill. Almost every coin showed special historic or artistic interest. A special case was devoted to post-war coinages.

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John V. Horner, of the Lynchburg Sesqui-Centennial Commemorative Association, has informed us that all of the issue has been sold and that no more are available from the commission.

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M. H. Bolender of Orangeville, Ill., has been commissioned to catalog and sell the entire collection of rare coins and paper money formed by the late Charles Markus, of Davenport, Ia. Mr. Markus died in August while attending the convention of the American Numismatic Association in Minneapolis. He was president of the association from 1927 to 1930, and had collected for forty years. To gain some idea of the extent of the collection, consider that there were six different fifty-dollar gold pieces and 1400 pieces of U. S. fractional currency. There is a fine general collection of coins, and many large-size old U. S. notes in remarkable preserva-

tion. Mrs. Pauline Markus has ordered all lots to be sold without reserve.

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Harry E. Thomas of Akron, Ohio, writes: "The item on rubber money in last month's magazine telling about a man who was arrested for counterfeiting, prompts me to send an interesting item taken from the American Democrat printed, in Akron, Ohio, June 3, 1847. It says:

'The New Haven County Bank has made an issue of \$1 bills engraved on India rubber prepared for the occasion.

'It is elastic, very little thicker than paper, impervious to water and not easily torn or worn out. The signatures and filling up, in consequence of a previous preparation have defied all effort at obliteration even that of boiling in potash lye.'

"This may spur some of the coin collectors to try and find some of this old time rubber, which is good collection material."

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George P. Coffin, dealer of Augusta, Me., died recently. Mrs. Margaret Coffin Payne, a daughter, is continuing the business.

## COUNTERFEITS

By LAMBERT ALPIGINI, JR.

IN TRACING the origin of counterfeits we find that food, shells, oxen and even women were first employed as a means of exchange, or as money as we now know it. It is safe to assume that no counterfeits could be used in those days.

Later as civilization advanced, metal coins including gold and silver came into use. It was not long before some unscrupulous genius of that era first hit upon the idea of making his own coins, usually from a cheaper metal, and passing them off at a personal profit. All governments, past and present, have taken steps to eliminate counterfeiting by rigid penalties and by producing the coins or bills in such a manner that private duplication would be extremely difficult if not impossible. No government has been entirely successful as yet.

Perhaps the Russians achieved the most success in that respect with the series of bills which they issued about 1912. These bills were very large, measuring 5 x 10½ inches. The notes are steel engraved on one side with fine intricate subjects which are superbly executed and which cover almost the entire note. The other side, which is really the face of the note, is not engraved but is lithographed in four colors which blend

together in such a manner as to render reproduction by photographic methods out of the question. Extra precautions were also taken with the paper, which was clearly watermarked with both an odd design and a portrait. If such is possible, these bills can be considered counterfeit-proof.

With regard to paper money, among the easiest to be faked were the Colonial and Continental bills of our Revolutionary War period. It would seem the workmanship of these pitifully crude notes would offer no great problem even to the printer of those days with his limited equipment. Little wonder many of them bore the grim inscription "To Counterfeit is Death" or "Tis Death to Counterfeit"—which was no empty threat.

It is interesting to note how counterfeiters were punished in days gone by. History tells of how the culprit was dealt with in ancient Greece—by having both hands chopped off at the wrists. In Rome, under the rule of the Caesars, punishment was made by tossing the offenders to the lions as a public spectacle. During the middle ages, we have record of what certainly must have been a very painful, if not effective penalty; a few of the counterfeit coins were placed into a fire until red hot, then forced



into the mouth of the convicted person. Even to the nineteenth century either death or physical mutilation of some form was the usual penalty.

Who would suppose that U. S. coins down to the low denomination of one cent would be a profitable field for a counterfeiter? Yet among bogus coinage U. S. cents dated 1816, 1844, 1846, 1848, etc., made of lead were not uncommon. No doubt other dates were faked. Since these dates are not rare, they surely were not made to deceive coin collectors. The lowest counterfeit denomination of recent U. S. coinage, of which I have heard, is a dime dated 1927, made of some sort of a white metal. Quarters and half dollars, of course, are faked more extensively, often the metal is brass, silver plated as well as the usual lead.

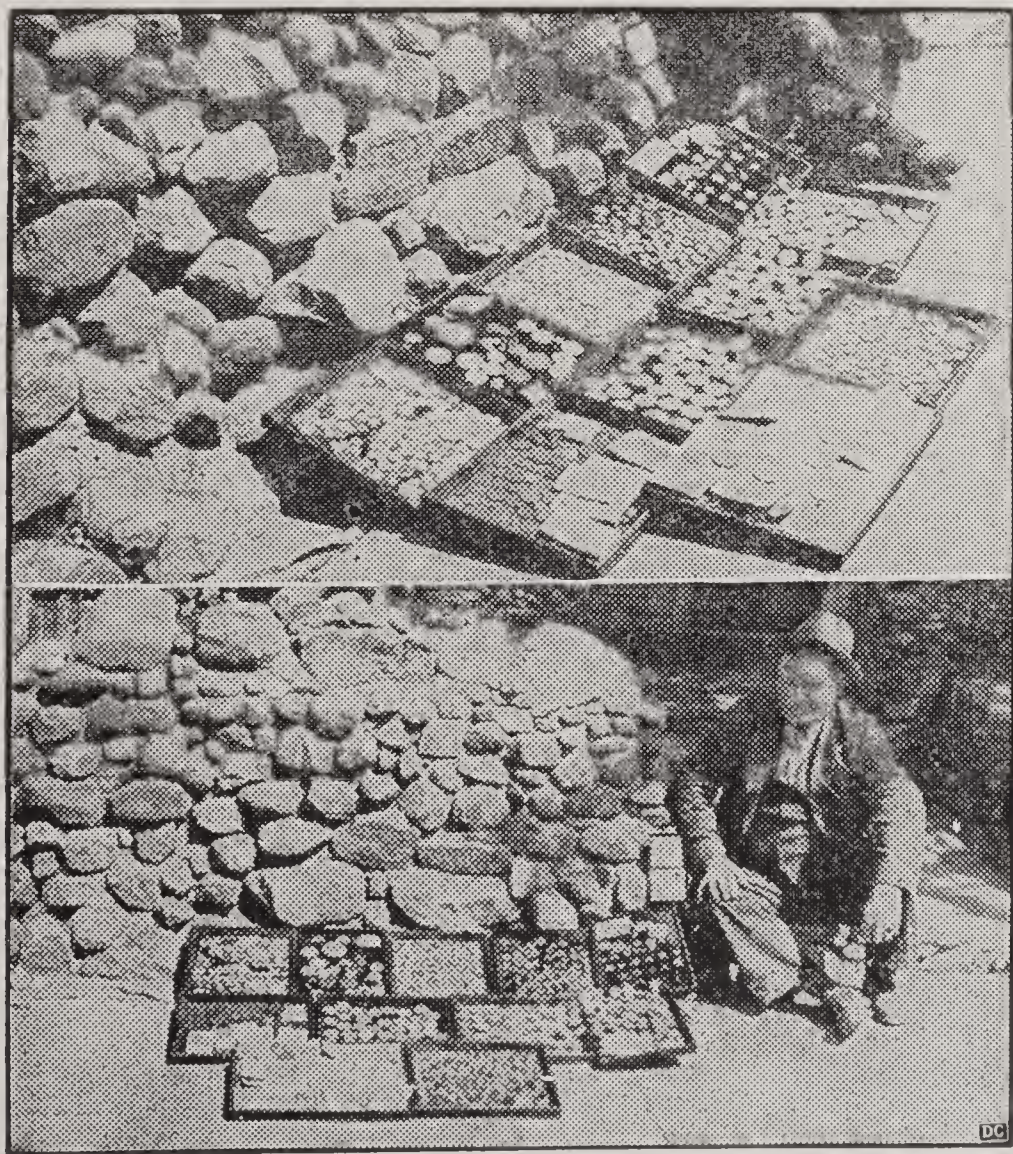
Regarding foreign counterfeit coins, probably collectors will encounter the most among the Spanish and Mexican silver pieces of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Coin collectors find some comfort in the fact that very few forgeries have been struck expressively for the purpose of deceiving them. Almost invariably the counterfeiter's aim is to produce a large number of coins or bills cheaply and just good enough to pass detection by the general public. The average person hardly gives the currency he handles more than a passing glance—how different from the numismatist who carefully studies every coin in his collection.

It is a generally accepted fact that an experienced collector is very seldom, if ever "taken" by a counterfeit. There is something unreal about any counterfeit which an expert or even a near expert can readily detect.

The total destruction of a coin is not prohibited, but it is illegal to deface a United States coin in such a way that it can still be put in circulation, although mutilated.

## "There's Money in Them Thar Trays"



Courtesy Topeka Capital

THE picture shows J. W. Shaw, a Kansas collector with a part of his coin collection which is evaluated at \$15,000 to \$20,000. The one tray in the foreground contains enough

paper money to carpet a room 12 by 16 feet and there are coins beneath the paper.

Shaw has been gathering his coins for over 50 years and his collection is now one of the largest in Kansas.

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